

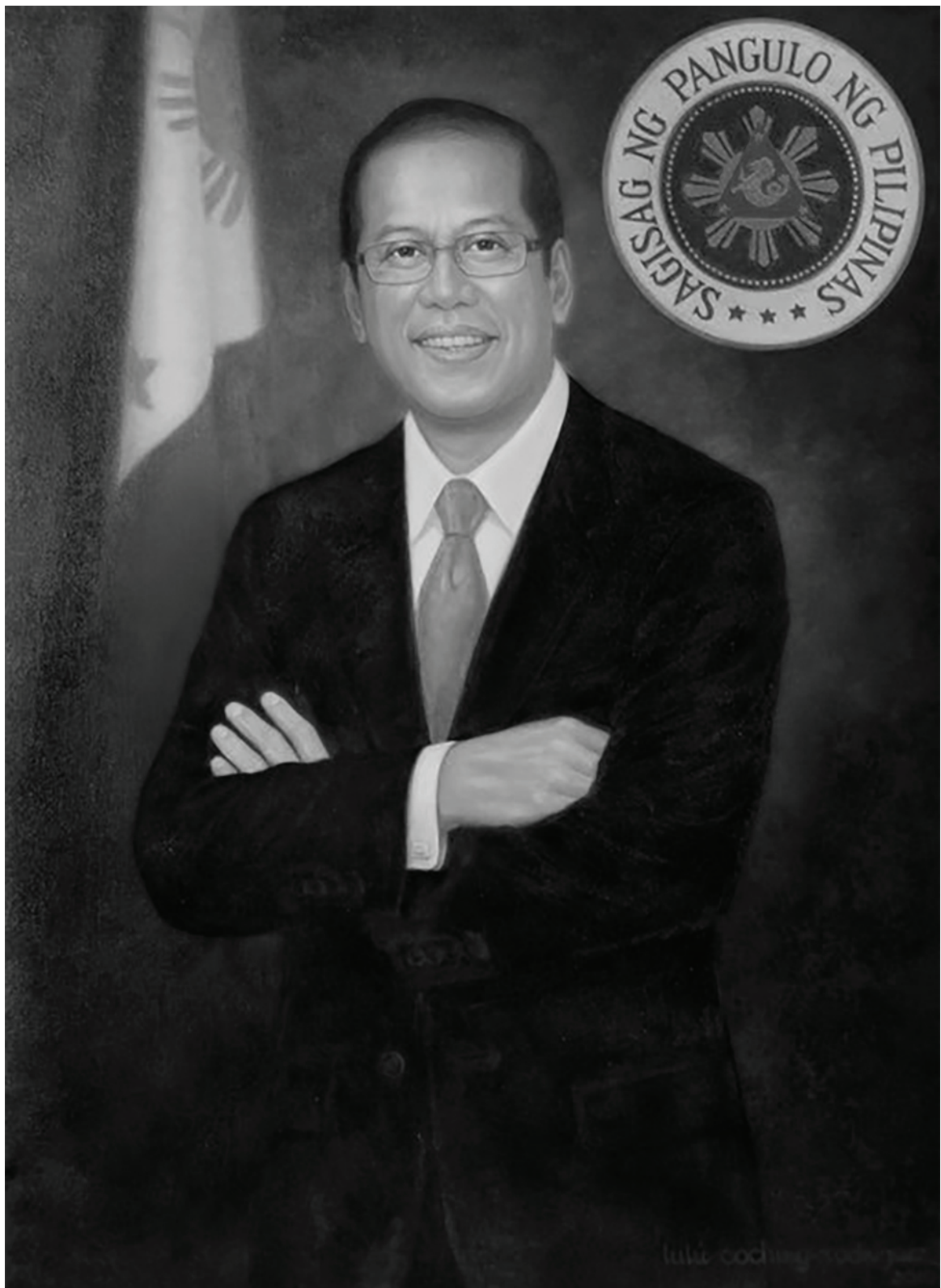


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INTRODUCTION

As the President's chief message-crafting body, the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office (PCDSPO), is mandated to provide strategic communication leadership and support to the Executive Branch, its composite agencies, and instrumentalities of government.

The PCDSPO is also mandated to act as custodian of the institutional memory of the Office of the President. One of our projects is the continuation of the series of books called the Messages of the President, started in 1936 by Jorge B. Vargas, Executive Secretary to President Manuel L. Quezon. The series was a wide collection of executive issuances, speeches, messages, and other official papers of the President. The volumes were intended to serve as the definitive compilation of presidential documents. The series was continued until the Quirino administration, although the series for the Presidential administrations of Presidents Quezon, Roxas, and Quirino were never completed.

In 2010, President Benigno S. Aquino III ordered the revival of the series and the constitution of a complete set, covering all 15 presidential administrations. With pride, we continue what Vargas began.

We would like to extend our gratitude to our partners for without whose gracious cooperation, this project would have not been possible.

A note on organization: Each presidential administration's messages are in book form, compiled and subdivided into volumes. The books are as follows:

- Book 1: Emilio Aguinaldo
- Book 2: Jose P. Laurel
- Book 3: Manuel L. Quezon
- Book 4: Sergio Osmeña
- Book 5: Manuel Roxas
- Book 6: Elpidio Quirino
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- Book 11: Corazon C. Aquino
- Book 12: Fidel V. Ramos
- Book 13: Joseph Ejercito Estrada
- Book 14: Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo
- Book 15: Benigno S. Aquino III

Each book is subdivided into the following volumes:

- Volume 1: Official Weeks/Months in Review
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 - Volume 3: Historical Papers and Documents
 - Volume 4: Executive Orders
 - Volume 5: Administrative Orders
 - Volume 6: Proclamations
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Volume 7: Other issuances

Volume 8: Cabinet minutes

We hope that this collection will be a useful and vital reference for generations to come.

PREFACE

On July 30, 2010, President Benigno S. Aquino III issued Executive Order No. 4, which effectively renamed what was previously called the Malacañang Museum into the Presidential Museum and Library (PML) and placed it under the supervision and control of the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office (PCDSPO). The PML is responsible for preserving, managing, and promoting the history and heritage of the Philippine presidency. It is the principal historical and artistic repository in support of the institution of the presidency, for the benefit of the Republic and the Filipino people. In partnership with the PCDSPO, which has pioneered the publication of the Official Gazette of the Republic of the Philippines as a web archive and information website, the PML has taken this mandate and placed it on the cutting edge of the information age.

Much has been done over the past years, under the administration of President Aquino III, to digitize executive issuances, speeches, letters, and other presidential papers; and publish them online. The project is not limited to a single administration, nor does it discriminate. This collection, published as databases, as well as print and e-publications, includes documents from the presidency of Emilio Aguinaldo to the current Aquino administration. This represents the government's allegiance to transparency, continuity, and the fostering of an informed citizenry, as well as an effort, in earnest, to preserve the institutional memory of the Presidency. All this was done not just for the posterity, but for the current generation and the ongoing task of nation building.

The PML are proud partners of the Official Gazette and PCDSPO team, to whom we made the collections available. We sincerely hope that this series will serve as a vital reference to educators, students, journalists, lawyers, historians, and the public at large.

FOREWORD

This is the fourth volume of President Benigno S. Aquino III's official papers, which constitutes the 15th book of the Messages of the President series. The series was started in 1936 by Executive Secretary Jorge B. Vargas, during the first year in office of Manuel L. Quezon, the first President of the Commonwealth of the Philippines. This volume collects President Aquino III's Executive Orders, which provide for rules of a general or permanent character in implementation or execution of constitutional or statutory powers.

BOOK 15

PRESIDENT BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

President Benigno S. Aquino III is the fifteenth President of the Philippines and is the fifth President of the fifth Republic. He assumed office on June 30, 2010 and is President until June 30, 2016.

The Executive Issuances of President Aquino III began with Memorandum Circular No. 1 which was signed on July 1, 2010.

President Aquino III's documents were gathered from its official sources such as the Official Gazette of the Philippines; Malacañang Records Office's Book of Executive Issuances; and the State of the Nation address Technical Report.

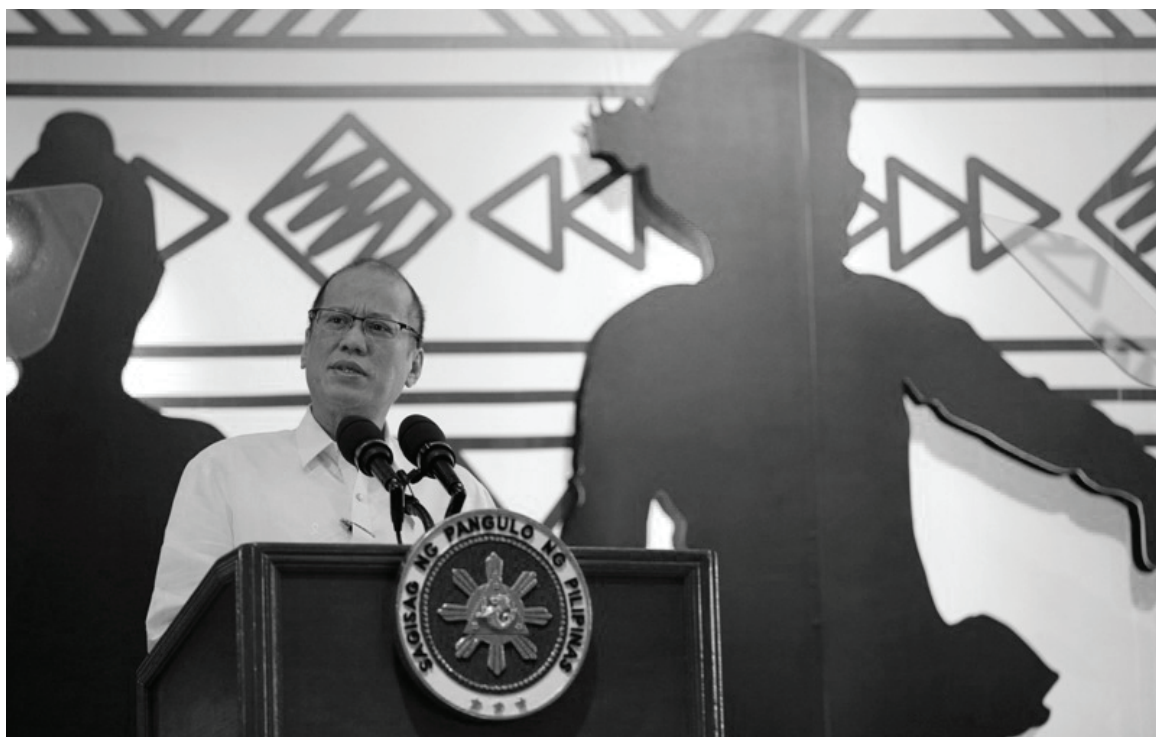
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President Benigno S. Aquino III delivers his speech during the Conference on Sustaining the Gains of the Conditional Cash Transfer in the Philippines at the Auditorium of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) Headquarters in Ortigas Center, Mandaluyong City on January 13, 2016.



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President Benigno S. Aquino III, accompanied by AFP Chief of Staff General Gregorio Pio Catapang, Jr., reviews the honor guard during the send-off ceremony at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport Terminal 2 on December 11, 2014. The President subsequently attended the 25th ASEAN-Republic of Korea Commemorative Summit 2014 in Busan, South Korea.

EXECUTIVE ORDERS

An Executive Order provides for rules of a general or permanent character in implementation or execution of constitutional or statutory powers. The Executive Orders of President Benigno S. Aquino III began on July 30, 2010 with Executive Order No. 1. The present volume contains his Executive Orders until Executive Order No. 200, issued on February 11, 2016.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1
CREATING THE PHILIPPINE TRUTH COMMISSION OF 2010

WHEREAS, Article XI, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines solemnly enshrines the principle that a public office is a public trust and mandates that public officers and employees, who are servants of the people, must at all times be accountable to the latter, serve them with utmost responsibility, integrity, loyalty and efficiency, act with patriotism and justice, and lead modest lives;

WHEREAS, corruption is among the most despicable acts of defiance of this principle and notorious violation of this mandate;

WHEREAS, corruption is an evil and scourge which seriously affects the political, economic, and social life of a nation; in a very special way it inflicts untold misfortune and misery on the poor, the marginalized and underprivileged sector of society;

WHEREAS, corruption in the Philippines has reached very alarming levels, and undermined the people's trust and confidence in the Government and its institutions;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent call for the determination of the truth regarding certain reports of large scale graft and corruption in the government and to put a closure to them by the filing of the appropriate cases against those involved, if warranted, and to deter others from committing the evil, restore the people's faith and confidence in the Government and in their public servants;

WHEREAS, the President's battlecry during his campaign for the Presidency in the last elections "kung walang corrupt, walang mahirap" expresses a solemn pledge that if elected, he would end corruption and the evil it breeds;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a separate body dedicated solely to investigating and finding out the truth concerning the reported cases of graft and corruption during the previous administration, and which will recommend the prosecution of the offenders and secure justice for all;

WHEREAS, Book III, Chapter 10, Section 31 of Executive Order No. 292, otherwise known as the Revised Administrative Code of the Philippines, gives the President the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO SIMEON AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Creation of a Commission. – There is hereby created the **PHILIPPINE TRUTH COMMISSION**, hereinafter referred to as the "**COMMISSION**", which shall primarily seek and find the truth on, and toward this end, investigate reports of graft and corruption of such scale and magnitude that shock and offend the moral and ethical sensibilities of the people, committed by public officers and employees, their co-principals, accomplices and accessories from the private sector, if any, during the previous administration; and thereafter recommend the appropriate action or measure to be taken thereon to ensure that the full measure of justice shall be served without fear or favor.

The Commission shall be composed of a Chairman and four (4) members who will act as an independent collegial body.

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions. – The Commission, which shall have all the powers of an investigative body under Section 37, Chapter 9, Book I of the Administrative Code of 1987, is primarily tasked to conduct a thorough fact-finding investigation of reported cases of graft and corruption referred to in Section 1, involving third level public officers and higher, their co-principals, accomplices and accessories from the private sector, if any, during the previous administration and thereafter submit its finding and recommendations to the President, Congress and the Ombudsman. In particular, it shall:

- a) Identify and determine the reported cases of such graft and corruption which it will investigate;
- b) Collect, receive, review and evaluate evidence related to or regarding the cases of large scale corruption which it has chosen to investigate, and to this end require any agency, official or employee of the Executive Branch, including government-owned or controlled corporations, to produce documents, books, records and other papers;
- c) Upon proper request or representation, obtain information and documents from the Senate and the House of Representatives records of investigations conducted by committees thereof relating to matters or subjects being investigated by the Commission;
- d) Upon proper request and representation, obtain information from the courts, including the Sandiganbayan and the Office of the Court Administrator, information or documents in respect to corruption cases filed with the Sandiganbayan or the regular courts, as the case may be;
- e) Invite or subpoena witnesses and take their testimonies and for that purpose, administer oaths or affirmations as the case may be;
- f) Recommend, in cases where there is a need to utilize any person as a state witness to ensure that the ends of justice be fully served, that such person who qualifies as a state witness under the Revised Rules of Court of the Philippines be admitted for that purpose;
- g) Turn over from time to time, for expeditious prosecution, to the appropriate prosecutorial authorities, by means of a special or *interim* report and recommendation, all evidence on corruption of public officers and employees and their private sector co-principals, accomplices or accessories, if any, when in the course of its investigation the Commission finds that there is reasonable ground to believe that they are liable for graft and corruption under pertinent applicable laws;
- h) Call upon any government investigative or prosecutorial agency such as the Department of Justice or any of the agencies under it, and the Presidential Anti-Graft Commission, for such assistance and cooperation as it may require in the discharge of its functions and duties;
- i) Engage or contract the services of resource persons, professionals and other personnel determined by it as necessary to carry out its mandate;
- j) Promulgate its rules and regulations or rules of procedure it deems necessary to effectively and efficiently carry out the objectives of this Executive Order and to ensure the orderly conduct of its investigations, proceedings and hearings, including the presentation of evidence;
- k) Exercise such other acts incident to or are appropriate and necessary in connection with the objectives and purposes of this Order.

SECTION 3. Staffing Requirements. – The Commission shall be assisted by such assistants and personnel as may be necessary to enable it to perform its functions, and shall formulate and establish its organizational structure and staffing pattern composed of such administrative and

technical personnel as it may deem necessary to efficiently and effectively carry out its functions and duties prescribed herein, subject to the approval of the Department of Budget and Management. The officials of the Commission shall in particular include, but not limited to, the following:

- a. General Counsel
- b. Deputy General Counsel
- c. Special Counsel
- d. Clerk of the Commission

SECTION 4. Detail of Employees. – The President, upon recommendation of the Commission, shall detail such public officers or personnel from other departments or agencies which may be required by the Commission. The detailed officers and personnel may be paid honoraria and/or allowances as may be authorized by law, subject to pertinent accounting and auditing rules and procedures.

SECTION 5. Engagement of Experts. – The Truth Commission shall have the power to engage the services of experts as consultants or advisers as it may deem necessary to accomplish its mission.

SECTION 6. Conduct of Proceedings. – The proceedings of the Commission shall be in accordance with the rules promulgated by the Commission. Hearings or proceedings of the Commission shall be open to the public. However, the Commission, *motu proprio*, or upon the request of the person testifying, hold an executive or closed-door hearing where matters of national security or public safety are involved or when the personal safety of the witness warrants the holding of such executive or closed-door hearing. The Commission shall provide the rules for such hearing.

SECTION 7. Right to Counsel of Witnesses/Resource Persons. – Any person called to testify before the Commission shall have the right to counsel at any stage of the proceedings.

SECTION 8. Protection of Witnesses/Resource Persons. – The Commission shall always seek to assure the safety of the persons called to testify and, if necessary make arrangements to secure the assistance and cooperation of the Philippine National Police and other appropriate government agencies.

SECTION 9. Refusal to Obey Subpoena, Take Oath or Give Testimony. – Any government official or personnel who, without lawful excuse, fails to appear upon subpoena issued by the Commission or who, appearing before the Commission refuses to take oath or affirmation, give testimony or produce documents for inspection, when required, shall be subject to administrative disciplinary action. Any private person who does the same may be dealt with in accordance with law.

SECTION 10. Duty to Extend Assistance to the Commission. – The departments, bureaus, offices, agencies or instrumentalities of the Government, including government-owned and controlled corporations, are hereby directed to extend such assistance and cooperation as the Commission may need in the exercise of its powers, execution of its functions and discharge of its duties and responsibilities with the end in view of accomplishing its mandate. Refusal to extend such assistance or cooperation for no valid or justifiable reason or adequate cause shall constitute a ground for disciplinary action against the refusing official or personnel.

SECTION 11. Budget for the Commission. – The Office of the President shall provide the necessary funds for the Commission to ensure that it can exercise its powers, execute its functions, and perform its duties and responsibilities as effectively, efficiently, and expeditiously as possible.

SECTION 12. Office. – The Commission may avail itself of such office space which may be available in government buildings accessible to the public space after coordination with the

department or agencies in control of said building or, if not available, lease such space as it may require from private owners.

SECTION 13. Furniture/Equipment. – The Commission shall also be entitled to use such equipment or furniture from the Office of the President which are available. In the absence thereof, it may request for the purchase of such furniture or equipment by the Office of the President.

SECTION 14. Term of the Commission. – The Commission shall accomplish its mission on or before December 31, 2012.

SECTION 15. Publication of Final Report. – On or before December 31, 2012, the Commission shall render a comprehensive final report which shall be published upon directive of the President. Prior thereto, also upon directive of the President, the Commission may publish such special *interim* reports it may issue from time to time.

SECTION 16. Transfer of Records and Facilities of the Commission. – Upon the completion of its work, the records of the Commission as well as its equipment, furniture and other properties it may have acquired shall be returned to the Office of the President.

SECTION 17. Special Provision Concerning Mandate. If and when in the judgment of the President there is a need to expand the mandate of the Commission as defined in Section 1 hereof to include the investigation of cases and instances of graft and corruption during the prior administrations, such mandate may be so extended accordingly by way of a supplemental Executive Order.

SECTION 18. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other provisions hereof.

SECTION 19. Effectivity. – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 30th day of July 2010.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2

RECALLING, WITHDRAWING, AND REVOKING APPOINTMENTS ISSUED BY THE PREVIOUS ADMINISTRATION IN VIOLATION OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL BAN ON MIDNIGHT APPOINTMENTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Sec. 15, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution provides that “*Two months immediately before the next presidential elections and up to the end of his term, a President or Acting President shall not make appointments*, except temporary appointments to executive positions when continued vacancies therein will prejudice public service or endanger public safety.”;

WHEREAS, in the case of “*In re: Appointments dated March 30, 1998 of Hon. Mateo Valenzuela and Hon. Vallarta as Judges of the Regional Trial Court of Branch 62 of Bago City and Branch 24 of Cabanatuan City, respectively*” (AM no. 98-5-01-SC Nov. 9, 1998), the Supreme Court interpreted this provision to mean that the President is neither required to make appointments nor allowed to do so during the two months immediately before the next presidential elections and up to the end of her term. The only known exceptions to this prohibition are (1) temporary appointments in the executive positions when continued vacancies will prejudice public service or endanger public safety and, in the light of the recent Supreme Court decision in the case of, De Castro, et. al. vs. JBC and PGMA G.R No. 191002, 17 March 2010, (2) appointments to the Judiciary;

WHEREAS, Section 261 of the Omnibus Election Code provides that:

“**Section 261. Prohibited Acts.** – The following shall be guilty of an election offense:

(g) **Appointments of new employees, creation of new position, promotion, or giving salary increases.** – During the period of forty-five days before a regular election and thirty days before a special election.

(1) Any head, official or appointing officer of a government office, agency or instrumentality, whether national or local, including government-owned or controlled corporations, who appoints or hires any new employee, whether provisional, temporary or casual, or creates and fills any new position, except upon prior authority to the Commission. The Commission shall not grant the authority sought unless, it is satisfied that the position to be filled is essential to the proper functioning of the office or agency concerned, and that the position shall not be filled in a manner that may influence the election.

As an exception to the foregoing provisions, a new employee may be appointed in the case of urgent need:

Provided, however, that notice of the appointment shall be given to the Commission within three days from the date of the appointment. Any appointment or hiring in violation of this provision shall be null and void.

(2) Any government official who promotes or gives any increase of salary or remuneration or privilege to any government official or employee, including those in government-owned or controlled corporations.”;

WHEREAS, it appears on record that a number of appointments were made on or about 10 March 2010 in complete disregard of the intent and spirit of the constitutional ban on midnight appointment and which deprives the new administration of the power to make its own appointment;

WHEREAS, based on established jurisprudence, an appointment is deemed complete only upon acceptance by the appointee;

WHEREAS, in order to strengthen the civil service system, it is a necessity to uphold the principle that appointments to the civil service must be made on the basis of merit and fitness, it is imperative to recall, withdraw, and revoke all appointments made in violation of the letter and spirit of the law;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution as President of the Philippines, do hereby order and direct that:

SECTION 1. Midnight Appointments Defined. – The following appointments made by the former President and other appointing authorities in departments, agencies, offices, and instrumentalities, including government-owned or controlled corporations, shall be considered as midnight appointments:

- (a) Those made on or after March 11, 2010, including all appointments bearing dates prior to March 11, 2010 where the appointee has accepted, or taken his oath, or assumed public office on or after March 11, 2010, except temporary appointments in the executive positions when continued vacancies will prejudice public service or endanger public safety as may be determined by the appointing authority.
- (b) Those made prior to March 11, 2010, but to take effect after said date or appointments to office that would be vacant only after March 11, 2010.
- (c) Appointments and promotions made during the period of 45 days prior to the May 10, 2010 elections in violation of Section 261 of the Omnibus Election Code.

SECTION 2. Recall, Withdraw, and Revocation of Midnight Appointments. Midnight appointments, as defined under Section 1, are hereby recalled, withdrawn, and revoked. The positions covered or otherwise affected are hereby declared vacant.

SECTION 3. Temporary designations. – When necessary to maintain efficiency in public service and ensure the continuity of government operations, the Executive Secretary may designate an officer-in-charge (OIC) to perform the duties and discharge the responsibilities of any of those whose appointment has been recalled, until the replacement of the OIC has been appointed and qualified.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. – All executive issuances, orders, rules and regulations or part thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Separability Clause. – If any section or provision of this executive order shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. – This Executive order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of July, in the year Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 2: Recalling, withdrawing, and revoking appointments issued by the previous administration in violation of the constitutional ban on midnight appointments, and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 3

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER REVOKING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 883 DATED 28 MAY 2010

WHEREAS, Section (2) article IX-B of the 1987 Constitution states that “appointments in the civil service shall be made only according to merit and fitness to be determined, as far as practicable, and, except to positions which are policy-determining, primarily confidential, or highly technical, by competitive examination.”

WHEREAS, under article IV, Chapter I, Part III of the Integrated Reorganizational Plan under P.D. No. 1, the exclusive power to “promulgate rules, standards and procedures on the selection, classification, compensation and career development of members of the Career Executive service (CES)” is vested with the Career Executive Service Board (CESB);

WHEREAS, under section 8, Chapter II, book V of EO 292 or the Administrative Code of 1987, “entrance to the third level (Career Executive Service) shall be prescribed by the CESB”;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 883 dated 28 May 2010 automatically vests lawyers “occupying legal positions in the government executive service who have obtained graduate degrees in law and successfully passed their bar examinations” with the rank of CESO III in the CES;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 883 encroaches upon the power of the CESB to “promulgate rules, standards and procedures on the selection, classification, compensation and career development of members of the Career Executive service (CES)” vested by law with the Career Executive Service Board (CESB);

WHEREAS, from the foregoing, it is evident that EO 883 amounts to a repeal or amendment of the provisions of P.D. 1 and E.O. 292 which were issued when the President had legislative powers, hence, illegal and void.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution as President of the Republic of the Philippine by law, do hereby declare:

SECTION 1. *Revocation*- Executive Order No. 883 dated 28 May 2010 is hereby revoked.

SECTION 2. *Repealing Clause*- All executive orders, administrative orders, proclamations, rules and regulations or parts thereof that are in conflict with this Executive Order are hereby modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. *Effectivity*- This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 3: An Executive Order revoking Executive Order No. 883 dated 28 May 2010*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OF THE PHILIPPINES
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4
REORGANIZING AND RENAMING THE OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY AS
THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS OFFICE; CREATING
THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT AND
STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, it is the avowed policy of this administration to ensure transparency and full and appropriate disclosure of policies, programs, official activities, and achievements of the Office of the President and Executive Branch which are of public concern;

WHEREAS, the task of informing and communicating to the Filipino people the policies, programs, official activities, and achievements of the Office of the President and the Executive Branch presently involves, aside from the Office of the Press Secretary, several offices and agencies, the functions of some of which overlap;

WHEREAS, there is a vital need to re-organize and effect functional changes within the Office of the Press Secretary and create an office to systemize, rationalize and complement the existing structure to achieve a more efficient and systematic interaction between the people, the Office of the President, and the Executive Branch;

WHEREAS, it is likewise imperative that government re-defines its efforts to integrate and harmonize its message conceptualization, formulation and development policies and programs in order to fully utilize the opportunities arising from the rapid development of existing and emerging media;

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 20, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS OFFICE. The Office of the Press Secretary shall be reorganized and renamed as the Presidential Communications Operations Office which shall be headed by the Presidential Communications and Operations Head who shall have the rank of Cabinet Secretary with all the corresponding salaries, emoluments, and benefits.

SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS OFFICE. The Presidential Communications Operations Office shall perform the following functions:

- a. Develop and implement necessary guidelines and mechanisms pertaining to the delivery and dissemination of information relating to the policies, programs, official activities and achievements of the President and the Executive Branch;
- b. Develop, manage and operate viable government-owned or controlled information dissemination structure / facilities to provide the Office of the President in particular, and

the Executive Branch in general, access to the people as an alternative to the private mass media entities;

- c. Set up and maintain local and international field offices, where necessary, to ensure that accurate information from the President and the Executive Branch is promptly and efficiently relayed, delivered and disseminated to intended target audiences;
- d. Manage, control or supervise, as may be necessary, the various government agencies and offices involved in information gathering and dissemination;
- e. Coordinate and cultivate relations with private media;
- f. Manage and administer the OP Website and the Web Development Office;
- g. Perform such other functions as the President may assign from time to time.

SECTION 3. OFFICE PROPER. The Presidential Communications Operations Office shall maintain such deputies and assistants as may be necessary to enable performance of its functions, including the following:

- a. Undersecretary for Administration and Finance;
- b. Undersecretary for Operations;
- c. Chief of Staff,
- d. Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs.
- e. Electronic Data Processing Division Chief;

SECTION 4. AGENCIES, BUREAUS, AND OTHER OFFICES ATTACHED TO THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS OFFICE. The following agencies, bureaus, and offices shall be under the control and supervision of the Presidential Communications Operations Office:

- a. News and Information Bureau;
- b. Philippine News Agency;
- c. Philippine Information Agency
- d. Intercontinental Broadcasting Corporation (IBC) 13;
- e. RPN 9;
- f. NBN 4;
- g. PBS-Radio-Television Malacanang
- h. Bureau of Broadcast Services;
- i. Bureau of Communications Services;
- j. National Printing Office;
- k. APO Production Unit; and
- l. OP Web Development Office.

SECTION 5. CREATION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT AND STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICE. There is hereby established the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office.

SECTION 6. FUNCTIONS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT AND STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICE. The Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office shall perform the following functions:

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- a. Coordinate the crafting, formulation, development and enhancement of the messaging system under the Office of the President;
 - b. Design and recommend responses to issues that arise on a daily basis.
 - c. Ensure consistency in the messages issued by the Executive Department;
 - d. Assist in the formulation and implementation of new media strategies for the Office of the President;
 - e. Assist in research and development of new media instruments;
 - f. Liase with the Malacañang Records Office;
 - g. Control and supervise the conduct of market research, monitoring public opinion, and gathering, use and analysis of other relevant data as may be necessary;
 - h. Formulate editorial guidelines and policies for state media;
 - i. Ensure consistency in the implementation of the corporate identity of the Executive Department;
 - j. Act as custodian of the institutional memory of the Office of the President, which includes the supervision and control of the Presidential Museum and Library, and liaison with the Malacañang Records Office;
 - k. Perform editorial functions for the Official Gazette,
 - l. Perform such other functions as may be directed by the President.

SECTION 7. THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT AND STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICE MANAGEMENT. The Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office shall be managed by the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Head who shall have the rank of Cabinet Secretary, with all the corresponding salaries, emoluments, and benefits.

The Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Head shall be assisted by a Deputy, who shall have the rank of Undersecretary, with all the corresponding salaries, emoluments, and benefits, and whose functions shall be assigned by the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Head.

The Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office shall likewise have such other support service offices as may be necessary to enable the performance of its functions, including the following:

- a. Chief of Staff,
- b. Assistant Secretary for Messaging.
- c. Electronic Data Processing Division Chief;

SECTION 8. AGENCIES, BUREAUS, AND OTHER OFFICES ATTACHED TO THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT AND STRATEGIC PLANNING OFFICE. The following agencies, bureaus, and offices shall be attached to the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office.

- a. Presidential Message Staff;
 - b. OP Correspondence Office, (previously placed under the Office of the Communications Director from the Presidential Management Staff per E.O. No. 348, 11 August 2004)
 - c. Media Research and Development Staff, (as created by E.O. No. 297, 25 July 1987, from the Office of the Press Secretary;)
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- d. Presidential Museum and Library
- e. Official Gazette; and
- f. Speech Writers Group (previously placed under the Office of the Communications Director from the Presidential Management Staff per E.O. No. 348, 11 August 2004)

SECTION 9. STAFFING REQUIREMENTS. The Presidential Communications Operations Office and the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management shall formulate and establish the organizational structure and staffing pattern of the affected offices under this Executive Order, composed of such administrative and technical personnel as may be deemed necessary to efficiently and effectively carry out the functions and duties prescribed herein, subject to the approval of the Department of Budget and Management, and the Office of the President, thru the Executive Secretary.

SECTION 10. APPROPRIATIONS. The budget of the offices herein reorganized and created shall be sourced from the remaining budget of the Office of the Press Secretary, and the Office of the President, as may be appropriate, for the current year, subject to existing and applicable laws, rules and regulations. The succeeding years' appropriations for the said offices shall be prepared in accordance with regular government budget procedures.

SECTION 11. DISCHARGE OF FUNCTIONS. Except as may be required under this Executive Order, all covered officials, offices or agencies shall continue with the discharge of their respective functions and responsibilities as defined under existing law or issuances.

SECTION 12. IMPLEMENTING RULES. The Executive Secretary is hereby authorized to issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the provisions this Executive Order. He is also designated to determine the functional divisions of the offices, agencies, and bureaus herein mentioned all under the control and supervision of the Office of the President, thru the Executive Secretary.

SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE. All orders, circulars, rules, regulations, and/ or issuance/s, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provision of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Executive Order shall be held unconstitutional, the remainder not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 15. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 4: Reorganizing and renaming the Office of the Press Secretary as the Presidential Communications Operations Office; creating the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office; and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 5

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 594, DATED DECEMBER 20, 2006,
REGARDING THE RULES GOVERNING THE APPOINTMENT/DESIGNATION
AND CONDUCT OF SPECIAL ENVOYS

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 16, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 (Executive Order No. 292), the President shall exercise the power to appoint officials as provided for in the Constitution and laws;

WHEREAS, the conduct of effective foreign policy often calls for the appointment/designation of persons with expertise and experience to undertake special tasks or address certain issues, notably in international economic affairs;

WHEREAS, there is a need to clarify the use of the title “Ambassador” by Special Envoys in order to preserve the dignity of the said title and position.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Executive Order No. 594 is hereby amended by adding a second paragraph thereto as follows:

An appointed/designated Special Envoy shall not use the title “Ambassador” pursuant to Republic Act 7157, otherwise known as the Philippine Foreign Service Act of 1991, which states that only Ambassadors Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary may carry this title.

SECTION 2. All orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 25th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 5: Amending Executive Order No. 594, dated December 20, 2006, regarding the rules governing the appointment/designation and conduct of special envoys*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 6
EXTENDING THE DURATION OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE PRESIDENTIAL MIDDLE
EAST PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE (PMEPC) TO DECEMBER 30, 2010

WHEREAS, the term of the Presidential Middle East Preparedness Committee (PMEPC) expires on June 30, 2010, pursuant to Executive Order (EO) No. 886 dated June 3, 2010;

WHEREAS, tensions, political instability, and armed conflicts continue to exist in some countries of the Middle East and Africa that directly threaten the safety and security of thousands of Filipino workers in these countries;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the PMEPC to continue to assess and monitor developments and update contingency measures to ensure the safety of Filipinos in the Middle East and Africa, prepare and establish a specific contingency plan for each of the potential crises in these countries;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for the PMEPC to continue providing assistance to the Department of Foreign Affairs, in addressing the concerns of the Philippine Government about the piracy problem in Somalia where some Filipino sailors remain in captivity aboard their respective hijacked vessels near the shores of Somalia. Likewise, it is vital for the PMEPC to continue its coordination with the Anti-Piracy Task Force of the USN Fifth Fleet based in Manama, Bahrain, regarding measures to be taken by Filipino Seamen aboard ships passing through the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean; Furthermore the existing conditions of the expatriate workers in Iraq would need the immediate attention of the PMEPC;

WHEREAS, the PMEPC is tasked to provide continuing assistance to the Department of Foreign Affairs, as well as to other government agencies concerned with OFW safety, security, and protection, and in the formulation and implementation of policies, plans and modes of coordination in areas where there are significant presence of OFWs;

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the functions of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the extension of operation of PMEPC to December 31, 2010 with Special Envoy Roy A. Cimat as Chairman, or unless otherwise directed by the President.

Section 1. Functions – The PMEPC shall continue to exercise its functions and responsibilities as provided under EO 159 dated December 23, 2002, in relation to EO 194 and EO 195, both dated April 14, 2003.

Section 2. Compositions – The membership of the Committee, as enumerated under Section 3 of EO 159, as amended by EO 722, is hereby retained.

Section 3. Funding – The Committee shall utilize its unused CY 2010 balance for its administrative and operational expenses, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Section 4. Repeal – All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 5. Effectivity and Retroactivity – This Order shall take effect immediately and retroact to 1 July 2010.

Done in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 6: Extending the duration of the operations of the Presidential Middle East Preparedness Committee (PMEPC) to December 30, 2010*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 7

DIRECTING THE RATIONALIZATION OF THE COMPENSATION AND POSITION CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM IN THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS (GOCCs) AND GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (GFIs), AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, transparency, accountability and prudence in government spending are among the core governance policies being adopted by this administration;

WHEREAS, while Government Owned and Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) and Government Financial Institutions (GFIs), by the nature of their operations, are accorded greater flexibility to function properly and efficiently under a market environment, such flexibility shall nevertheless be consistent with the precept of public accountability;

WHEREAS, there is a need to strengthen the supervision over the compensation levels of GOCCs and GFIs, in order to control the grant of excessive salaries, allowances, incentives and other benefits;

WHEREAS, under Item (9) of the Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution (J.R.) No. 4, s. 2009, agencies exempted from Republic Act (R.A.) No. 6758, as amended, shall observe the policies, parameters and guidelines governing position classification, salary rates, categories and rates of allowances, benefits, and incentives prescribed by the President;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, Presidential Decree No. 985, Presidential Decree No. 1597, R.A. No. 6758, as amended by the J.R. Nos. 1, s. 1994, and 4, s. 2009, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Rationalization of the Compensation and Position Classification System in GOCCs and GFIs. – The compensation and position classification system in all GOCCs and GFIs shall be rationalized in accordance with the policies, principles and parameters prescribed in this Order.

SECTION 2. Guiding Principles. – The following principles, patterned after the governing principles in J.R. No. 4, s. 2009, shall guide the rationalization of the compensation and position classification system in GOCCs and GFIs:

- a. All government personnel shall be paid just and equitable compensation in accordance with the principle of equal pay for work of equal value.
- b. The compensation for government personnel shall generally be comparable with those in the private sector doing comparable work in order to attract, retain and motivate a corps of competent civil servants.
- c. The compensation for government personnel shall be standardized and rationalized to create an enabling environment that will promote social justice, integrity, efficiency, productivity, accountability and excellence in the civil service.

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- d. A performance-based incentive scheme which integrates personnel and organizational performance shall be established to reward exemplary servants and well-performing institutions.
 - e. A periodic review of the compensation and position classification system shall be conducted taking into account the changes in skills and competency requirements and the possible erosion in the purchasing power due to inflation, and other factors.
 - f. The compensation for government personnel shall be kept fair and reasonable in recognition of fiscal realities and personal services cost shall be maintained at a reasonable proportion of over-all expenditures.

SECTION 3. Total Compensation Framework. – All remuneration granted to members of the board of directors/trustees, officers and rank-and-file employees of GOCCs and GFIs shall be categorized in accordance with the Total Compensation Framework established under Item (4) of J.R. No. 4. Under this framework, total payment for services rendered by personnel shall be limited to the following categories:

- a. Basic Salaries, including Step Increments;
- b. Standard Allowances and Benefits which are given to all employees across agencies;
- c. Specific-Purpose Allowances and Benefits which are given under specific conditions, based on actual performance of work; and,
- d. Incentives, which are rewards for loyalty to government service and for exceeding performance targets.

SECTION 4. Standard Components of the Compensation and Position Classification System. – To standardize the compensation and position classification system in all GOCCs and GFIs, said system have the following components:

- a. Compensation System
 - i. A salary scheduled to cover full-time employment, and salary rules to implement the payment of salaries and step increments; and,
 - ii. Set of allowances, benefits, incentives categorized pursuant to the Total Compensation Framework; and guidelines, rules, and regulations for the grant thereof.
- b. Position Classification System
 - i. Index of occupational groups, classes of position, and salary grades;
 - ii. Standards of specifications for each class of positions; and,
 - iii. Rules, regulations, and procedure for the administration and maintenance of the position classification system.

SECTION 5. Rationalization of Indirect Compensation Excluded from the Total Compensation Framework. – Provident Fund benefits, additional health insurance, and other benefits that are indirect compensation and are excluded from the Total Compensation Framework, shall likewise be rationalized in accordance with the policies to be issued by the President upon recommendation of the Task Force created in Section 7 hereof.

SECTION 6. Considerations in Setting Compensation Levels in GOCCs and GFIs. – In setting compensation levels, the peculiar nature of corporate operations shall be taken into account. The following factors shall be considered:

- a. Coverage of the GOCC/GFI under R.A. No. 6758, as amended, or exemption therefrom;
- b. Strategic position of the GOCC/GFI in the industry where it belongs;
- c. Proprietary nature of operations;
- d. Requirement for highly technical or specialized skills and expertise in corporate operations;
- e. Comparability of the compensation package with prevailing industry practices;
- f. Financial capabilities and viability of the GOCC/GFI, to include:
 - i. Operational stability and self-sufficiency
 - ii. Consistency in income/profit performance and attainment of output or service targets
 - iii. Remittance of dividends to the National Treasury
 - iv. National Government support in terms of subsidy, equity, net lending, or tax subsidy;
- g. Proportion of Personal Services expenditure to total corporate operating budget;
- h. Privatization plans; and,
- i. Other relevant factors.

SECTION 7. Creation of a Task Force on Corporate Compensation. – A Task Force on Corporate Compensation (TFCC) is hereby created to undertake the review of all remuneration granted to members of the board of directors/trustees, officers and rank-and-file employees, as well as discretionary funds of GOCCs and GFIs, to be composed of the Office of the President as Chair, and the Department of Budget and Management, the Department of Finance, and the Civil Service Commission as members. The TFCC shall perform the following:

- a. Prepare an updated inventory of the salaries, allowances, incentives, and other benefits, under both direct and indirect compensation, given to all members of the board of directors/trustees, officers and rank-and-file employees, whether covered by or exempted from R.A. No. 6758, as amended, including those received from subsidiaries and private corporations, if any, as well as discretionary funds;
- b. Categorize all remuneration granted to members of the board of directors/trustees, officers and employees of these entities in accordance with the Total Compensation Framework in Section 3 above, and those considered as indirect compensation under Section 5 hereof; and,
- c. Formulate and recommend measures to rationalize the compensation system and the use of discretionary funds in specific GOCCs and GFIs, including putting a cap on total compensation. The TFCC shall submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the President within 90 days from issuance of this Order.

SECTION 8. Submission of Information on All Personnel Remuneration. – All GOCCs and GFIs shall submit to the TFCC, information on all salaries, allowances, incentives, and other benefits under both direct and indirect compensation, granted to members of the board of directors/trustees, officers and rank-and-file employees, as well as discretionary funds, in a format to be prescribed by the TFCC, certified correct by the Department Secretary who has supervision over the GOCC/GFI.

SECTION 9. Moratorium on Increases in Salaries, Allowances, Incentives and Other Benefits. – Moratorium on increases in the rates of salaries, and the grant of new increases in the rates of allowances, incentives and other benefits, except salary adjustments pursuant to Executive Order No. 811 dated June 17, 2009 and Executive Order No. 900 dated June 23, 2010, are hereby imposed until specifically authorized by the President.

SECTION 10. Suspension of All Allowances, Bonuses and Incentives for Members of the Board of Directors/Trustees. – The grant of allowances, bonuses, incentives, and other perks to members of the board of directors/trustees of GOCCs and GFIs, except reasonable per diems, is hereby suspended for until December 31, 2010, pending the issuance of new policies and guidelines on the compensation of these board members.

SECTION 11. Effectivity. – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication.

DONE in the City of Manila, this **8th** day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 7: Directing the rationalization of the compensation and position classification system in the Government-Owned and-Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) and Government Financial Institutions (GFIs), and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8

**REORGANIZING AND RENAMING THE BUILD-OPERATE AND TRANSFER (BOT) CENTER
TO THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES AND
TRANSFERRING ITS ATTACHMENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE
AND INDUSTRY TO THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, Section 20, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State recognizes the indispensable role of the private sector as the main engine for national development;

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Republic Act. 7718 or the Act Authorizing the Financing, Construction, Operation and Maintenance of Infrastructure Projects by the Private Sector, and for Other Purposes, otherwise known as the Build to Operate Transfer (BOT) Law, as amended, recognizes the indispensable role of the private sector as the main engine for national growth and development and provides the most appropriate incentives to mobilize private resources for the purpose of financing the construction, operation and maintenance of infrastructure and development projects normally financed and undertaken by the Government;

WHEREAS, the Medium-Term Development Plan (MTPDP) specifies that the government will increasingly mobilize the private sector to accelerate the financing, constructing, rehabilitation, and operation of major infrastructure facilities, obtain the required infrastructure through competitive markets with minimum fiscal burden and government contingent liabilities while protecting the public interest, ensure that users will have adequate, safe, efficient, reliable, and affordable infrastructure services, and provide private proponents who will be generally selected through competition under fair and transparent terms, a level playing field with reasonable returns and sharing of risks;

WHEREAS, the Government of the Philippines is committed to good governance, transparency, competitiveness, impartiality, and accountability in all government transactions which include the implementation of infrastructure programs and projects;

WHEREAS, there is a need to fast-track the implementation of Public-Private Partnership (PPP) programs and projects, as a cornerstone strategy of the national development plan to accelerate the infrastructure development of the country and sustain economic growth;

WHEREAS, the revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the BOT Law mandates the BOT Center to coordinate and monitor the projects implemented under the BOT Law, to guide the agencies/LGUs in the preparation and development of the BOT projects, and to report to the President and to Congress on the progress of all projects implemented under the BOT Law;

WHEREAS, Section 1 of the Executive Order No. 144, Series of 2002, converts the Coordinating Council for Private Sector Participation (CCPSP) to the Build-Operate-Transfer Center (BOT Center), and the CCPSP-Technical Secretariat to the Project Monitoring Office, and transfers its attachment from the Office of the President (OP) to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI);

WHEREAS, to efficiently and effectively implement the MTPDP, there is a need to facilitate the coordination and monitoring of the PPP programs and projects by converging these functions to NEDA which is mandated as the central planning agency for social and economic development and as oversight agency in the programming, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the government's programs and projects;

WHEREAS, the Economic Managers, during their 12 July 2010 meeting, agreed to revitalize the BOT Center by renaming it as PPP Center and attaching it to NEDA with primary functions of coordination and monitoring all PPP/BOT/PSP Programs and Projects, and by transferring its resources to NEDA;

WHEREAS, under Section 1, Chapter 1, Title 1, Book III of Executive Order No. 292 or the Administrative Code of 1987, the President shall have control of all executive departments, bureaus and offices;

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides continuing authority to the President to recognize the administrative structure of the Office of the President;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The PPP Center – The Build-Transfer (BOT) Center is hereby renamed as the Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) Center and transferred as an attached agency from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions of the PPP Center – The PPP Center shall cover all the PPP programs and projects including all the variants or Arrangements under the BOT Law and Joint-Venture agreements, among others, and shall have the following powers and functions:

- a) Conduct project facilitation and assistance to the national implementing agencies, including government corporations, and Local Government Units (LGUs) in addressing impediments or bottlenecks in the implementation of PPP programs and projects;
- b) Provide advisory services, technical assistance, trainings and capacity development to agencies/LGUs in PPP project preparation and development;
- c) Recommend plans, policies and implementation guidelines related to PPP in consultation with appropriate oversight committees, implementing agencies, LGUs and the private sectors;
- d) Manage and administer a revolving fund to be known as the Project Development and Monitoring Facility for the preparation of business case, pre-feasibility and feasibility studies and tender documents of PPP programs and projects;
- e) Monitor and facilitate the implementation of the priority PPP Programs and Projects of the agencies/LGUs which shall be formulated by respective agencies/LGUs in coordination with the NEDA Secretariat;
- f) Establish and manage a central database system of PPP Programs and Projects;
- g) Recommend improvements to timelines in processing PPP programs and project proposals, and monitor compliance of all agencies/LGUs;
- h) Prepare reports on the implementation of the PPP programs and projects of the government for submission to the President at the end of each year; and,
- i) Perform such other functions which may be critical in expediting and implementing effectively the PPP Programs and Projects of the Government.

SECTION 3. Promotion and Marketing Functions – The functions of the BOT Center with respect to promotion and marketing the BOT/PPP Projects shall be undertaken by the Department of Trade and Industry.

SECTION 4. Head of the PPP Center – The PPP Center shall be headed by an Executive Director with the rank equivalent to Assistant Director-General or Assistant Secretary, who shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning.

SECTION 5. Organization and Staffing Pattern – The Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning shall revise, prescribe and approve the Organization and Staffing Pattern of the PPP Center after review by, and/or consultation with, the Department of Budget and Management.

SECTION 6. Project Development and Monitoring Facility – To create greater certainty for undertaking a business case, pre-feasibility and feasibility studies in a timely manner, an amount of Three Hundred Million Pesos (Php300,000,000.00) is hereby constituted as a working fund for the conduct of said studies and activities for selected PPP programs and projects.

SECTION 7. Processing of PPP Program/Project Proposals – The processing of all qualified solicited PPP proposals shall be completed within a period of six (6) months subject to existing laws, guidelines, rules and regulations.

SECTION 8. Appropriations and Source of Funding – The DBM shall release the funds needed for the financial and operational requirements of the PPP Center including the amount indicated in Section 6 of this Executive Order subject to the submission of a special budget for the purpose. Further, all the funds appropriated to the BOT Center in performing duties similar to the PPP Center and the appropriated fund under the BOT Center's Project Development Facility (PDF) shall be transferred to Project Development and Monitoring Facility of the PPP Center, subject to government accounting and auditing procedures.

PPP Center may receive contributions, grants, and/or other funds from, among others, government agencies and corporations, LGUs, local and foreign donors, development partners, and private sector/institutions subject to existing laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 9. Transitory Provision – In accomplishing the acts of reorganization herein prescribed, the following transitory provisions shall be complied with:

- a) The Executive Director of the BOT Center shall temporarily be the Executive Director of the PPP Center until a new Executive Director is appointed by the President upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning.
- b) Existing personnel of the BOT Center shall be transferred to the PPP Center and shall remain in their current positions until such time the revised and/or new organizational and staffing pattern are implemented as provided under Section 5 of this Executive Order.
- c) The Project Development Facility of the BOT Center shall now be known as the Project Development and Monitoring facility of the PPP Center of the Philippines.
- d) All funds, appropriations, records and PPP-related documents (i.e., project contracts, closeout project reports, and report forms), equipment, facilities, and rights belonging to the BOT Center which are related to the function and duties indicated under Section 2 are hereby transferred to PPP Center through the NEDA within a period of thirty (30) calendar days after the effectivity of this Executive Order. Future appropriations for the PPP Center shall be included in the annual budget of the NEDA.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause – All executive and administrative issuances, memorandum orders, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Separability Clause – If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 12. Effectivity – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication.

DONE in the city of Manila, this 9th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 8: Reorganizing and renaming the Build-Operate and Transfer (BOT) center to the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) center of the Philippines and transferring its attachment from the Department of Trade and Industry to the National Economic and Development Authority and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 9

AMENDING SECTION 1 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 67, REORGANIZING THE
PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON THE VISITING FORCES AGREEMENT CREATED
UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 199, DATED JANUARY 17, 2000

WHEREAS, the “Agreement Between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the United States of America Regarding the Treatment of United States Armed Forces of Visiting the Philippines”, hereinafter referred to as the VFA, was signed by Foreign Affairs Secretary Domingo L. Siazon, Jr., and the United States Ambassador Thomas C. Hubbard on February 10, 1998;

WHEREAS, the VFA officially took effect on June 1, 1999 after an Exchange of Notes between Secretary Siazon, Jr. and the United States Ambassador Hubbard;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 199 dated January 17, 2000 created the Presidential Commission on the Visiting Forces Agreement under the Office of the President to monitor compliance with the provisions of the VFA;

WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 empowers the President with the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order;

Section 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 67 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 2 COMPOSITION. The Commission shall be composed of the following:

The Executive Secretary	-	Chairman
The Secretary of Foreign Affairs	-	Vice-Chairman
The Secretary of National Defense	-	Vice-Chairman
The Secretary of Justice	-	Member
The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development	-	Member
One Representative from the Private Sector to be appointed by the President	-	Member
The VFACOM Executive President	-	Member

Section 2. All orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are consistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 9: Amending Section 1 of Executive Order No. 67, reorganizing the Presidential Commission on the Visiting Forces Agreement created under Executive Order No. 199, dated January 17, 2000*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 10
DECLARING THE 2ND OF OCTOBER 2010 AS THE NATIONWIDE PHILHEALTH
REGISTRATION DAY AND DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO
LEAD CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO FACILITATE THE
NATIONWIDE PHILHEALTH REGISTRATION

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution expressly declares as a policy of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the Filipino people and to instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Article XII, Section 11 of the 1987 Constitution further directs the State to adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all Filipinos at affordable cost;

WHEREAS, R.A. No. 7875, otherwise known as the National Health Insurance Act of 1995, as amended, mandates that all Filipinos shall be covered by the National Health Insurance Program;

WHEREAS, one of the priorities of this Administration is to ensure that all Filipinos, especially the poor, have access to health care services through universal health care in three years, or less;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for a unified effort between and among concerned government agencies, local government units, professional societies, corporate partners and other non-government organizations, through the leadership of the Department of Health, to ensure that all Filipinos be enrolled in Philhealth;

WHEREAS, there is a need to increase public awareness regarding the entitlements and responsibilities relative to Philhealth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Nationwide Philhealth Registration Day (NPRD). – The 2nd day of October 2010 shall be declared as the Nationwide Philhealth Registration Day, herein referred to as NPRD, to achieve the following objectives:

- a. Increase public awareness regarding the entitlements and responsibilities relative to PhilHealth coverage
- b. Automatic enrollment of poor families identified by the Department of Social Welfare Test (NHTS-PMT)
- c. Enjoin enrollment of the informal sector

SECTION 2. Creation of the National Steering Committee for Nationwide PhilHealth Registration Day (NSC-NPRD). – The NSC-NPRD is hereby created to serve as the coordinating body to oversee the implementation of the NPRD. The NSC-NPRD is chaired by the Secretary of Health and its members shall include the Secretaries of the Department of Social Welfare

and Development, the Department of the Interior and Local Government, the Department of Education, the National Anti-poverty Commission, the President of the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation, and the National Presidents of the Leagues of Provinces, Cities and Municipalities.

SECTION 3. Creation of Task Forces for the NPRD. – The Secretary of Health shall organize task forces and a secretariat to provide support to NSC-NPRD implementation. Subject to applicable rules and regulations, the Secretary of Health is authorized to engage and mobilize the private sector.

SECTION 4. Funding. – For this activity, the amount of Five Hundred Million Pesos (PHP500,000,000.00) from the funds of the department of Health shall be allotted to cover the share of the local government units in the premium payment of indigent families identified under the available funds of the participating agencies, subject to applicable existing rules and regulations.

SECTION 5. Separability Clause. – In the event that any provision of this Order is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the other provisions thereof shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. – All administrative orders and other issuances or part thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 2nd day of October, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 10: Declaring the 2nd of October 2010 as the Nationwide PhilHealth Registration Day and directing the Department of Health to lead concerned government agencies to facilitate the Nationwide PhilHealth Registration*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 11

**TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES FROM
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO THE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES**

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8371, otherwise known as the “*Indigenous Peoples Rights Act*”, approved on 29 October 1997, created the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples, an independent agency under the Office of the President, as the primary government agency that will formulate and implement policies, plans and programs to promote and protect the rights and well-being of the Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples and recognize their ancestral domains as well as their rights thereto;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 364 dated 27 September 2004, as amended, placed the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples under the Department of Agrarian Reform to consolidate in said department all concerns regarding asset reform which cover, among others, ancestral domain reform;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 726 dated 23 May 2008 transferred the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to help preserve the cultural and natural heritage of Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous People;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 746 dated 01 August 2008 temporarily transferred the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples to the Office of the President for a period of six (6) months because of developments in the local and international socio-political landscape at that time which required priority attention from the highest government authorities;

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples later reverted back to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and is now under said department;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to clearly define the administrative attachment of the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples in keeping with the legislative intent, address the needs and aspirations of the Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples with regards to their rights and welfare by the highest officials of the land, and ensure consistency in policies, programs, project coordination and implementation;

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article VII of the Constitution provides that the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus and offices and shall ensure that all laws be faithfully executed;

WHEREAS, Section 31 (2) and (3), Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 grants the President the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President and for this purpose, transfer functions and agencies to the Office of the President from other departments or agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. *Transfer.* – The National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP) is hereby transferred from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to the Office of the President to ensure concerted efforts in formulating and implementing policies, programs and projects geared towards the protection and promotion of the rights and welfare of Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples.

SECTION 2. *Repealing Clause.* – All other executive issuances, orders, rules, regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. *Effectivity.* – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 8th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 11: Transferring the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources to the Office of the President of the Philippines*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 12

DELEGATING TO THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY THE POWER TO APPROVE
COMPROMISES OR RELEASES OF ANY INTEREST, PENALTY OR CIVIL LIABILITY TO THE
SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM PURSUANT TO SECTION 4(6) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8282
(THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997)

WHEREAS, Section 4(6) of Republic Act No. 8282, otherwise known as the Social Security Act of 1997, provides that among the powers and duties of the Social Security Commission is “to compromise or release, in whole or in part any interest, penalty or any civil liability to SSS in connection with the investments authorized under Section 26, hereof, under such terms and conditions as it may prescribe and approved by the President of the Philippines”;

WHEREAS, Presidential approval is needed for compromises or releases made by the Social Security Commission in accordance with Section 4(6) of RA 8282;

WHEREAS, for purpose of expediency, such as power to approve may be delegated to the Executive Secretary, the same being in accordance with Section 27, Chapter 9, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1997, which provides that: “The Executive Secretary shall, subject to the control and supervision of the President, carry out the functions assigned by law to the Executive Office and shall perform such other duties as maybe delegated to him”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The power of the President to approve compromises or releases made by the Social Security Commission in accordance with Section 4(6) of Republic Act No. 8282 is hereby delegated to the Executive Secretary, provided the amount involved in such compromise or release does not exceed the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Pesos (P200,000).

SECTION 2. All executive issuances inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in any newspaper of general circulation

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 9th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 12: Delegating to the Executive Secretary the power to approve compromises or releases of any interest, penalty or civil liability to the Social Security System pursuant to Section 4(6) of Republic Act No. 8282 (The Social Security Act of 1997)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13

**ABOLISHING THE PRESIDENTIAL ANTI-GRAFT COMMISSION AND TRANSFERRING
ITS INVESTIGATIVE, ADJUDICATORY AND RECOMMENDATORY FUNCTIONS TO
THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS,
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT**

WHEREAS, this administration has a continuing mandate and advocacy to fight and eradicate corruption in the different departments, bureaus, offices and other government and instrumentalities;

WHEREAS, the government adopted a policy of streamlining the government bureaucracy to promote economy and efficiency in government;

WHEREAS, Section VII of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus, and offices;

WHEREAS, Section 31 Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of Executive Order 292 (Administrative Code of 1987) provides for the continuing authority to the President to recognize the administrative structure of the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 1416 (Granting Continuing Authority to the President of the Philippines to Reorganize the National Government), as amended by PD 1772, provides that the President of the Philippines shall have continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the National Government and may, at his discretion, create, abolish, group, consolidate, merge or integrate entities, agencies, instrumentalities and units of the National Government, as well as, expand, amend, change or otherwise modify their powers, functions and authorities;

WHEREAS, Section 78 of the General Provisions of Republic Act No. 9970 (General Appropriations Act of 2010) authorizes the President of the Philippines to direct changes in the organizational units or key positions in any department or agency;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. *Declaration of Policy.* It is the policy of the government to fight and eradicate graft and corruption in the different departments, bureaus, offices and other government agencies and instrumentalities.

The government adopted a policy of streamlining the government bureaucracy to promote economy and efficiency in the government.

SECTION 2. *Abolition of Presidential Anti-Graft Commission (PAGC).* To enable the Office of the President (OP) to directly investigate graft and corrupt cases of Presidential appointees in the Executive Department including heads of government-owned and controlled corporations, the Presidential Anti-Graft Commission (PAGC) is hereby abolished and their vital functions, particularly the investigative, adjudicatory and recommendatory functions and other powers and functions inherent or incidental thereto, transferred to the Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs (ODESLA), OP in accordance with the provisions of this Executive Order.

SECTION 3. *Restructuring of the Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs, OP.* In addition to the Legal and Legislative Divisions of the ODESLA, the Investigative and Adjudicatory Division shall be created.

The newly created Investigative and Adjudicatory Division shall perform the powers, functions and duties mentioned in Section 2 hereof, of PAGC,

The Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs (DESLA) will be the recommending authority to the President, thru the Executive Secretary, for approval, adoption or modification of the report and recommendations of the Investigative and Adjudicatory Division of ODESLA.

SECTION 4. *Personnel Who May Be Affected by the Abolition of PAGC.* The personnel who may be affected by the abolition of the PAGC shall be allowed to avail of the benefits provided under existing laws if applicable. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is hereby ordered to release the necessary funds for the benefits of the employees.

SECTION 5. *Winding Up of the Operation and Disposition of the Functions, Positions, Personnel, Assets and Liabilities of PAGC.* The winding up of the operations of PAGC including the final disposition or transfer of their functions, positions, personnel, assets and liabilities as may be necessary, shall be in accordance with the applicable provision(s) of the Rules and Regulations Implementing EO 72 (Rationalizing the Agencies Under or Attached to the Office of the President) dated March 15, 2002. The winding up shall be completed not later than 31 December 2010.

The Office of the Executive Secretary, with the assistance of the Department of Budget and Management, shall ensure the smooth and efficient implementation of the dispositive actions and winding-up of the activities of PAGC.

SECTION 6. *Repealing Clause.* All executive orders, rules, regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order, are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall effect immediately after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 15th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 13: Abolishing the Presidential Anti-Graft Commission and transferring its investigative, adjudicatory and recommendatory functions to the Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs, Office of the President.* Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 14

**TRANSFERRING THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE PHILIPPINE CHARITY
SWEEPSTAKES OFFICE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) TO THE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT (OP)**

WHEREAS, the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) is the principal government agency in charge of raising and providing funds for health programs, medical assistance and services, and charities of national character;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO) is originally under the control and supervision of the Office of the President (OP) by virtue of Republic Act 1169, creating PCSO;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 383 was issued on 08 November 2004 placing PCSO under the supervision and control of the Department of Social Welfare (DSWD).

WHEREAS, on 22 August 2005, Executive Order No. 455 was issued transferring the supervision and control of PCSO from DSWD to the Department of Health (DOH);

WHEREAS, Book III, Title III, Chapter 10, Section 31 (3) of the Administrative Code of 1987, authorizes the President to “xxx transfer agencies to the Office of the President from other departments or agencies”;

WHEREAS, one of the main objectives of the Office of the President is to enhance the health services and charity programs to the public as well as to immediately respond on calamities, disasters relief and emerging illnesses;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the effective implementation of the social agenda of the President as well as to effectively facilitate the health services and charity programs of OP there is a need of placing back to OP the control and supervision over PCSO;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. The direct control and supervision over the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office shall hereby be transferred from the Department of Health to the Office of the President.

SECTION 2. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this **19th** day of **November**, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 14: Transferring the control and supervision of the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office from the Department of Health (DOH) to the Office of the President (OP)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 15

GRANTING COMBAT ALLOWANCE TO UNIFORMED MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES
OF THE PHILIPPINES WHO ARE DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN COMBAT OPERATIONS
AGAINST MEMBERS OF NATIONAL SECURITY THREAT GROUPS, THEREBY REPEALING
EXECUTIVE ORDER (E.O) NO. 658 DATED SEPTEMBER 6, 2007

WHEREAS, the Government fully recognizes the critical role being played by members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) in the preservation of national security and territorial sovereignty;

WHEREAS, members of the armed forces who figure directly in actual combat against various groups who continuously threaten national peace and security should be adequately compensated inasmuch as this assignment involves grave risk to their lives;

WHEREAS, the combat duty pay in the amount of P240.00 per month being received by members of the AFP assigned in the field units is not commensurate to the sacrifices and difficulties which our troops experience;

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend the provisions of EO No. 658 which provides for an additional P150 per day as Combat Allowance so that funding is actually provided for the grant of combat allowance to members of the AFP who are involved in combat operations;

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

Section 1. The Combat Allowance specified under EO No. 658, series of 2007 is hereby considered as ineffective. In its stead, a “Combat Allowance” is hereby authorized at a rate of P260.00 per month in addition to the P240.00 per month already being received as combat duty pay.

Section 2. AFP members who are actually engaged in combat operations against groups that seek or threaten to imperil national security and sovereignty shall be entitled to this combat allowance.

Section 3. The grant of such allowance shall be subject to the following conditions:

- a. There must be a specific combat mission that is duly covered by an Operations Order or a Fragmentary Order verified by the concerned Chief of Command and dully approved by the AFP Chief of Staff; and
- b. Only those included in the roster of enlisted uniformed personnel are entitled thereto.

Section 4. The initial funding requirements necessary to implement this Executive Order shall be drawn from the Personal Services (PS) savings realized by the AFP during FY 2010 and in FY 2011 as may be determined by the AFP. Funding for this purpose shall be included in the General Appropriations Act provided that the actual roster of military personnel is submitted to the

Department of Budget and Management. The said list shall be the basis of providing funds for the purpose in the succeeding budget years.

Section 5. All executive orders, rules and regulations, and other or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby revoked, amended, or modified accordingly.

Section 6. This Executive Order shall take effect on January 01, 2011.

DONE in the City of Manila, this **20th** day of **Dec.** in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 15: Granting combat allowance to uniformed members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines who are directly involved in combat operations against members of National Security Threat Groups, thereby repealing Executive Order (E.O) No. 658 dated September 6, 2007*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 16

EXTENDING FURTHER THE TERM OF SOUTH COTABATO / NORTH COTABATO /
SULTAN KUDARAT / SARANGANI / GENERAL SANTOS CITY (SOCKSARGEN) AREA
DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OFFICE (ADPO) FROM JANUARY 2010 TO DECEMBER 2016.
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE EO NO. 507, SERIES OF 2006

WHEREAS, the term of the SOCKSARGEN Area Development Project Office [ADPO] expires on December 31, 2010 pursuant to E.O. No. 507 dated February 15, 2006.

WHEREAS, in view of the continuing need to fast-track construction of vital infrastructures (airports, seaports, fishports, road networks, irrigation facilities and to sustain regional efforts particularly in the implementation of food security and key development plans and programs in support of peace and development in Mindanao, there is a need to extend the term of SOCKSARGEN ADPO.

NOW, THEREFORE, I BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The provision on the term of the ADP Office in Section 1 of EO No. 507, series of 2006, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“**SOCKSARGEN ADP Office Term.** The term of SOCKSARGEN ADP Office is hereby extended to *December 31, 2016*”.

SECTION 2. Operational Requirements. The Department of Budget and Management shall allocate, under the budget of the Department of Agriculture in the General Appropriations Act, such amount appropriate and necessary for the operational requirements of the SOCKSARGEN ADP Office based on the work and financial program as submitted by the DA and endorsed by the RDC 12.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect on January 1, 2011.

Done in the City of Manila, this 21th day of December, in the year of the Lord, Two Thousand Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 16: Extending further the term of South Cotabato / North Cotabato / Sultan Kudarat / Sarangani / General Santos City (SOCKSARGEN) Area Development Project Office (ADPO) from January 2010 to December 2016. Amending for the purpose EO No. 507, series of 2006.* Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 17

AMENDING SECTION 3 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 82, INSTITUTIONALIZING THE
LEGACY OF THE EDSA PEOPLE POWER REVOLUTION BY CREATING AN EDSA PEOPLE
POWER COMMISSION TO PERPETUATE AND PROPAGATE THE SPIRIT OF EDSA

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 82 (s. 1999) created the EDSA People Power Commission to institutionalize the legacy of the EDSA People Power Revolution, rooted in the same spirit that brought our people to freedom a century ago, through a dedicated organization established specifically to institute appropriate means, activities and concerted action that will serve to enshrine EDSA People Power as a continuing and permanent source of inspiration for future generations;

WHEREAS, there is need to rationalize the composition of the EDSA People Power Commission to facilitate a more efficient and streamlined preparation and organization of events and activities related to the propagation of the spirit of the 1986 EDSA People Power Revolution;

WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 empowers the President with the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Executive Order 82 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 3. Composition. The Commission shall be composed of the Executive Secretary as Chairperson, a private sector representative as Vice Chairperson, and five (5) members. The Vice Chairperson and the members shall be appointed by the President, upon the recommendation of the Chairperson.”

SECTION 2. All issuances orders, rules, regulations and issuances of parts hereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the city of Manila, this 22th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 17: Amending Section 3 of Executive Order No. 82, institutionalizing the legacy of the EDSA People Power Revolution by creating an EDSA People Power Commission to perpetuate and propagate the spirit of EDSA*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 18
RATIONALIZING THE ORGANIZATION AND SUPERVISION OF CERTAIN AGENCIES,
OFFICES AND OTHER SIMILAR ENTITIES ATTACHED TO OR UNDER
THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT (OP)

WHEREAS, the government is continually pursuing the rationalization of the operation and organizations of the Executive Branch, as mandated under Executive Order (EO) 366 dated 04 October 2004, to improve and systematized government's operations by a) focusing its efforts on its vital/core functions and priority programs and projects, and channeling resources to these core public services, and b) minimizing areas of overlap and redundancies within a Department, and among Departments/Agencies;

WHEREAS, there are agencies, task forces, inter-agency committees and other similar entities attached to or under OP which should be rationalized in order to focus its efforts on the overall management of the affairs of government and supervise directly those agencies requiring the utmost attention and intervention of the President;

WHEREAS, Presidential Degree (PD) No. 1416 (Granting Continuing Authority to the President of the Philippines to Reorganize the National Government), as amended by PD 1772, provided that the President of the Philippines shall have continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the National Government and may, at his discretion, create, abolish, group, consolidate, merge or integrate entities, agencies, instrumentalities and units of the National Government, as well as expand, amend, change, or otherwise modify their powers, function and authorities;

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of Executive Order No. 292 (Administrative Code of 1987) dated 25 July 1987 provides continuing authority to the President to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, Section 78 of the General Provision of the Republic Act No. 9970 (General Appropriations Act of 2010) authorizes the President of the Philippines to direct changes in the organizational units or key positions in any Department or Agency;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Declaration of Policy. It is the policy of the government to enhance its institutional capacity to deliver public goods and services in a more economical, efficient, ethical, effective and accountable manner.

In view of this, a review of agencies, task forces, inter-agency committees and other similar bodies has to be regularly undertaken to determine which of these are still relevant or have:

- a) Already become inoperational or dormant and/or outlived their purposes;
- b) Functions which unnecessarily duplicate/overlap those of other agencies or which can be subsumed in other departments/agencies; and
- c) Functions which could better be undertaken by the local government units (LGU) or the private sector.

Section 2. Implementation of the Dispositive Actions for the Agencies, Task Forces, Inter-Agency Committees and other Similar Bodies Under/Attached to OP. Consistent with the policies, principles objectives and parameters of the rationalization of the operations and organizations of the Executive Branch as provided for under existing laws, the following agencies are hereby abolished:

- a) **Presidential Anti-Smuggling Group (PASG)** – whose functions are already being performed by the Bureau of Customs and other law enforcement agencies;
- b) **Mindanao Economic Development Council** – whose functions have become redundant pursuant to the creation of the Mindanao Development Authority by virtue of RA 9996;
- c) **Minerals Development Council** – whose functions may properly be performed by the DENR, in coordination with other Departments in the Executive Branch;
- d) **Luzon Urban Beltway Super Region, Office of the North Luzon Quadrangle Area, Office of the Presidential Adviser on New Government Center** – whose functions are to ensure implementation of priority projects of the past administration, and not necessarily congruent with the present dispensation;
- e) **Bicol River Basin Watershed Management Project** – whose functions may be managed by the DENR in coordination with other agencies;
- f) **Office of External Affairs** – whose functions may be managed by the DILG in ensuring the greater participation of the constituencies in the development and implementation of the administration's program of the Government;
- g) **Office of the Presidential Adviser on Global Warming and Climate Change** – which becomes redundant due to the creation of the Climate Change Commission per RA 9729 dated October 23, 2009.

Section 3. *Personnel Who May Be Affected by the Rationalization Efforts.* The personnel who may be affected by the abolition of the agencies concerned shall be allowed to avail of the benefits provided under applicable existing laws.

Section 4. *Winding-up of the Operations and Disposition of the Functions, Positions, Personnel, Assets and Liabilities of the Abolished Agencies.* The winding-up of the operations of the abolished agencies under section 2 hereof, including the final disposition or transfer of their functions, positions, personnel, assets and liabilities, as may be necessary, shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Rules and Regulations Implementing EO 72 (Rationalizing the Agencies Under or Attached to the Office of the President) dated March 15, 2002. The winding up shall be completed not later than 31 December 2010.

The Office of the Executive Secretary, with the assistance of the DBM, shall work out the smooth and efficient implementation of this Executive Order.

Section 5. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall take effect upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 9th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 18: Rationalizing the organization and supervision of certain agencies, offices and other similar entities attached to or under the Office of the President (OP)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 19

EXTENDING THE SUSPENSION OF ALL ALLOWANCES, BONUSES, INCENTIVES
AND OTHER PERKS TO MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR TRUSTEES
OF GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS (GOCCs) AND
GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS (GFIs) EXCEPT REASONABLE PER DIEMS

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 7 (s. 2010) entitled “Directing the Rationalization of the Compensation and Position Classification System in the Government-Owned and-Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) and Government Financial Institutions (GFIs), and for Other Purposes”, created the Task Force on Corporate Compensation (TFCC) to undertake the review of all remuneration granted to members of the board of directors/trustees, officers and rank-and-file employees, as well as discretionary funds of GOCCs and GFIs;

WHEREAS, Section 10 of Executive Order No. 7 suspended the grant of allowances, bonuses, incentives, and other perks to members of the board of directors/trustees of GOCCs and GFIs, except reasonable per diems, until December 31, 2010, pending the issuance of new policies and guidelines on the compensation of these board members;

WHEREAS, the TFCC is in the process of conducting a review on all remuneration granted to members of the board of directors/trustees, officers and rank and-file employees, as well as discretionary funds of GOCCs and GFIs;

WHEREAS, considering the complexity of issues and number of GOCCs and GFIs, there is a need to further review the grant of all remunerations and discretionary funds of the board members;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct the extension of suspension of the grant of allowances, bonuses, incentives, and other perks to members of the board of directors/trustees of GOCCs and GFIs, except reasonable per diems, until January 31, 2011, pending the issuance of new policies and guidelines on the compensation of said directors/trustees.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2010). *Executive Order No. 19: Extending the suspension of all allowances, bonuses, incentives and other perks to members of the Board of Directors or Trustees of Government-Owned and-Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) and Government Financial Institutions (GFIs) except reasonable per diems*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20
EXTENDING THE DURATION OF OPERATION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL MIDDLE EAST
PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE (PMECC) TO JUNE 30, 2011

WHEREAS, the term of the Presidential Middle East Preparedness Committee (PMEPC) expires on December 31, 2010 pursuant to Executive Order (EO) No. 6 dated September 2, 2010;

WHEREAS, tensions, political instability, and armed conflicts continue to exist in some countries of the Middle East and Africa that directly threaten the safety and security of thousand of Filipino workers in these countries;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the PMEPC to continue to assess and monitor developments and monitor developments and update contingency measures to ensure the safety of Filipinos in the Middle East and Africa, prepare and establish a specific contingency plan each for the potential crises in these countries;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for the PMEPC to continue providing assistance to the Department of Foreign Affairs, in addressing the concerns of the Philippine Government about the piracy problem in Somalia where some Filipino sailors remain in captivity aboard their respective hijacked vessels near the shores of Somalia. Likewise, it is vital for the PMEPC to continue its coordination with the Anti-Piracy task Force of the USN Fifth Fleet based in Manama, Bahrain, regarding measures to be taken by Filipino Seamen aboard ships passing through the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean;

WHEREAS, the PMEPC is tasked to provide continuing assistance to the Department of Foreign Affairs, as well as to other government agencies concerned with OFW safety, security, and protection, and in the formulation and implementation of policies, plans and modes of coordination in areas where there are significant presence of OFWs;

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the functions of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the extension of operation of PMEPC to June 30, 2011 with Special Envoy Roy A. Cimat, or unless otherwise directed by the President.

SECTION 1. Function – The PMEPC shall continue to exercise its functions and responsibilities as provided under EO 159 dated December 23, 2002, in relation to EO 194 and EO 195, both dated April 14, 2003.

SECTION 2. Compositions – The membership of the Committee, as enumerated under Section 3 of EO 159, as amended by EO 722, is hereby retained.

SECTION 3. Funding – The PMEPC shall be provided with an allocation of Six Million (P6,000,000.00) Pesos, subject to the availability of funds, for its administrative and operational expenses, to be drawn from the contingency fund of the Office of the President, subject to the usual government accounting rules and regulations.

SECTION 4. Repeal – All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity – This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 6th day of January, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 20: Extending the duration of operation of the Presidential Middle East Preparedness Committee (PMECC) to June 30, 2011*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 21

REDUCING THE RATE OF IMPORT DUTY ON MILLING (FOOD) WHEAT TO ZERO UNDER SECTION 104 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER SECTION 3 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 863, SERIES OF 2010

WHEREAS, Executive Order 863 issued on 19 February 2010, implemented the zero Most-Favored-Nation (MFN) rate of duty on milling (food) wheat for six (6) months, subject to further review;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 of E.O. 863, series of 2010, the Tariff and Related Matters (TRM) Committee reviewed the need to extend the imposition of the zero MFN rate of duty on milling (food) wheat;

WHEREAS, reducing the MFN rate of duty on milling (food) wheat to zero would support efforts to lower the cost of producing wheat flour which would help stabilize prices of bread, e.g., pandesal and other bread products as well as noodles;

WHEREAS, the NEDA Board endorsed on 25 November 2010 on ad referendum basis the TRM recommendation to reduce the duty on milling wheat to zero for six (6) month, subject to further review;

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978 (Presidential Decree No. 1464), as amended, empowers the President of the Republic of the Philippines to increase, reduce, or remove existing rates of import duty, as well as to modify the form of duty and the tariff nomenclature, under Section 104 of the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in the Annex hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be subject to the MFN rate of import duty in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article.

SECTION 2. The nomenclature and the rates of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but represented by the symbol “XXX” shall remain in force and in effect.

SECTION 3. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in the Annex which are entered and withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the MFN rates of duty of zero ad valorem for six (6) months, subject to further review.

SECTION 4. All Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are contrary to or inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of Jan., in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 21: Reducing the rate of import duty on milling (food) wheat to zero under Section 104 of Presidential Decree No. 1464, otherwise known as the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, as provided for under Section 3 of Executive Order No. 863, series of 2010*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 22

REDUCING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CEMENT AND CEMENT CLINKER TO ZERO UNDER SECTION 104 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER SECTION 3 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 862, SERIES OF 2010

WHEREAS, Executive order (E.O.) No. 862, issued on 19 February 2010, implemented the zero Most-Favored-Nation (MFN) rates of duty on cement and cement clinker for six (6) months, subject to further review;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3 of E.O. 862, series of 2010, a review was undertaken by the Tariff and Related Matters (TRM) Committee to determine if there is a need to continue the imposition of the zero MFN rates of duty on cement and cement clinker;

WHEREAS, reducing the MFN rates of duty on cement and cement clinker to zero would support continued economic activity arising from the construction sector undertaking all kinds of construction projects;

WHEREAS, the NEDA Board endorsed on 25 November 2010 on ad referendum basis the TRM recommendation to reduce the duty on cement and cement clinker to zero for six months, subject to further review;

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978 (Presidential Decree No. 1464), as amended, empowers the President of the Republic of the Philippines to increase, reduce, or remove existing rates of import duty, as well as to modify the form of duty and the tariff nomenclature, under Section 104 of the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in the Annex hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be subject to the MFN rates of import duty in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article.

SECTION 2. The nomenclature and the rate of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but represented by the symbol “XXX” shall remain in force and in effect.

SECTION 3. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in the Annex which are entered and withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the MFN rates of duty of zero ad valorem for six (6) months, subject to further review.

SECTION 4. All Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are contrary to or inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of Jan., in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 22: Reducing the rates of import duty on cement and cement clinker to zero under Section 104 of Presidential Decree No. 1464, otherwise known as the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, as provided for under Section 3 of Executive Order No. 862, series of 2010*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23
DECLARING A MORATORIUM ON THE CUTTING AND HARVESTING OF TIMBER
IN THE NATURAL AND RESIDUAL FORESTS AND CREATING THE
ANTI-ILLEGAL LOGGING TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the entire country has been a witness to the ever-changing climatic conditions brought about by the La Niña phenomenon;

WHEREAS, the destructive effects of the phenomenon on the environment are apparent in many regions in the country and it is an accepted fact that the effects are worsened due to the continuous denudation of the forest zones;

WHEREAS, the watersheds and river systems supporting existing or proposed hydroelectric power facilities, irrigation works or existing water facilities are in need of immediate protection and rehabilitation;

WHEREAS, it is the obligation of the State to protect the remaining forest cover areas of the country not only to prevent flash floods and hazardous flooding but also to preserve biodiversity, protect threatened habitats and sanctuaries of endangered and rare species, and allow natural regeneration of residual forests and development of plantation forests;

WHEREAS, it is imperative to arrest the degradation, pollution and contamination of the river and water systems and to stem the wanton destruction of the forest resources;

WHEREAS, Article XII, Sec. 2 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that “the exploration, development, and utilization of natural resources shall be under the full control and supervision of the State”.

NOW, THEREFORE, I BENIGNO S. AQUINO, III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Definition of Terms. For the purpose of this Executive Order, the following terms shall be defined:

- 1.1 **Forest Land** – it includes public forest, permanent forest or forest reserves, and forest reservations.
- 1.2 **Natural and Residual Forests** – are forests composed of indigenous trees, not planted by man.
- 1.3 **Plantation Forest** – is a forest where the trees were planted pursuant to a management agreement with the DENR.
- 1.4 **Integrated Forest Management Agreement (IFMA)** – is a production sharing contract entered into by and between the DENR and a qualified applicant wherein the DENR grants to the latter exclusive right to develop, manage, protect and utilize a specified area of forest land and forest resources therein for a specified period consistent with the

principle of sustainable development and in accordance with an approved Comprehensive Development and Management Plan (CDMP).

- 1.5 **Socialized Integrated Forest Management Agreement (SIFMA)** – is an agreement entered into by and between a natural or juridical person and the DENR wherein the latter grants to the former the right to develop, utilize and manage a small tract of forest land consistent with the principle of sustainable development.
- 1.6 **Community-Based Forest Management (CBFMA)** – is an agreement entered into by and between the government and the local community in a locality, represented by a people's organization as forest managers, for a specific period wherein the local community is allowed to develop, utilize and manage a small tract of forest land consistent with the principle of sustainable development.
- 1.7 **National Greening Program** – is a DA-DENR-DAR Convergence Initiative anchored on the government's goal of poverty reduction, food, security, climate change adaptation and mitigation.

Section 2. Moratorium on the Cutting and Harvesting of Timber in the Natural Forests – A moratorium on the cutting and harvesting of timber in the natural and residual forests of the entire country is hereby declared unless lifted after the effectivity of this Executive Order. In order to implement this policy, the following are hereby instituted:

- 2.1 The DENR is henceforth hereby prohibited from issuing logging contracts/agreements in all natural and residual forests, such as Integrated Forest Management Agreements (IFMA), Socialized Integrated Forest Management Agreements (SIFMA), Community-Based Forest Management Agreement (CBFMA) and other agreements/contracts with logging components in natural and residual forests;
- 2.2 The DENR is likewise prohibited from issuing/renewing tree cutting permits in all natural and residual forests nationwide, except for clearing of road right of way by the DPWH, site preparation for tree plantations, silvicultural treatment and similar activities, provided that all logs derived from the said cutting permits shall be turned over to the DENR for proper disposal. Tree cutting associated with cultural practices pursuant to the indigenous Peoples Right Act (IPRA Law) may be allowed only subject to strict compliance with existing guidelines of the DENR;
- 2.3 The DENR shall review/evaluate all existing IFMAs, SIFMAs, CBFMAs and other forestry agreements/contracts and immediately terminate/cancel the agreements of those who have violated the terms and conditions of their contracts/agreements as well as existing forest laws, rules and regulations at least twice. Furthermore, said agreements shall likewise be immediately terminated/cancelled if the holders thereof engage in logging activities in any natural or residual forest or abet the commission of the same;
- 2.4 The DENR shall strictly implement a forest certification system in accordance with the United Nations standard/guidelines to ascertain the sustainability of legal sources and chain of custody of timber and wood products, nationwide;
- 2.5 The DENR shall close and not allow to operate all sawmills, veneer plants and other wood processing plants who are unable to present proof of sustainable sources of legally cut logs for a period of at least five (5) years within one month from effectivity of this Executive Order;

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- 2.6 The DENR through the DA-DENR-DAR Convergence Initiative, shall develop a National Greening Program NGP in cooperation with the Department of Education (DepEd) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) to initiate the educational drive campaign; the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) to help in establishing communal tree farms for firewood and other purposes; the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) to identify the upland farmers covered by the NGP as priority beneficiaries of the conditional cash transfer program; the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to provide the funds for the production of quality seedlings for the NGP from available funds of the government; and the private sector and other concerned agencies/institutions to raise funds and resources for tree planting;
- 2.7 The Department of Education shall be given priority in the use of all confiscated logs.

Section 3. Creation of the Anti-Illegal Logging Task Force. To enforce the moratorium and lead the anti-illegal logging campaign, an Anti-Illegal Logging Task Force is hereby created. The Task Force shall be composed of the DENR Secretary or his duly authorized representative as Chairman and the Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government, the Secretary of the Department of National Defense, the Chief of the Philippine National Police, the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Philippines or their respective authorized representatives, as members.

- 3.1 *Mandate.* The Task Force is hereby mandated to take the lead in the anti-illegal logging campaign and ensure the implementation of this Executive Order under the supervision of the DENR. It shall also assist the DENR in the enforcement of other environmental laws.
- 3.2 *Support from Government Offices and Agencies.* The Task Force may call upon the support of any department, bureau and office of the executive branch to assist in the discharge of its functions, such as but not limited to the provision of administrative or technical assistance, logistical support and detail of personnel. The DENR shall provide the secretariat for the Task Force.
- 3.3 *Budgetary Support.* The Department of Budget and Management shall provide the DENR an initial budget for the Task Force in the amount of Ten Million Pesos (P10,000,000.00) which shall be sourced from the available funds of the government. Release of additional amounts shall be subject to the approval of the President.

Section 4. Repealing Clause. All executive orders, rules, and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked, amended, and/or modified accordingly.

Section 5. Implementing Guidelines – Upon its formation, the Task Force shall immediately formulate the guidelines for the implementation of the policies set forth in this Executive Order.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately after publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, Philippines, this 1st day of February, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 23: Declaring a moratorium on the cutting and harvesting of timber in the natural and residual forests and creating the Anti-illegal Logging Task Force*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 24

**PRESCRIBING RULES TO GOVERN THE COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS/TRUSTEES IN GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR -CONTROLLED
CORPORATIONS INCLUDING GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS**

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article XI of the 1987 Constitution provides that a “Public office is a public trust. Public officers and employees must at all times be accountable to the people, serve them with utmost responsibility, integrity, loyalty, and efficiency, act with patriotism and justice, and lead modest lives.”;

WHEREAS, pursuant to this constitutional mandate, Republic Act No. 6713 (*The Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees*) directs public officials and employees to uphold public interest over personal interest and for this purpose, to use government resources and the powers of their offices efficiently, effectively, honestly and economically to avoid wastage of government resources;

WHEREAS, transparency, accountability and prudence in government spending are among the core governance policies being adopted by this Administration;

WHEREAS, transparency, accountability and prudence in government spending are among the core governance policies being adopted by this Administration;

WHEREAS, government-owned or-controlled corporations (GOCCs) including government financial institutions (GFIs) are government agencies and their funds are public funds which must be used prudently at all times with a view to prevent dissipation and waste;

WHEREAS, membership in the Board of Directors/Trustees of GOCCs is a public office under the Executive Department;

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors/Trustees of certain GOCCs have granted their members excessive salaries, *per diems*, allowances, bonuses, incentives and other benefits which cause demoralization in the bureaucracy and depletion of government revenues;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 17, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution, the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus and offices;

WHEREAS, consistent with the precept of public accountability, it becomes imperative for the President of the Philippines to exercise his power of control over GOCCs to rationalize the compensation of the members of their Board of Directors/Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Policy Considerations – Cognizant of the role of the Board of Directors/Trustees as steward of the corporation it serves and caretaker of the best interests of the people who are the true shareholders of the corporation, the rationalization of the compensation for members of the Board of Directors/Trustees in GOCCs shall be anchored on the following policy considerations of the State:

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- a) Promote transparency, accountability, and prudence in government spending;
 - b) Enable the GOCCs to perform their mandated developmental, social, commercial, proprietary, and regulatory functions, and respond to the demands for an effective and efficient delivery of essential public services, thereby significantly contribute to national development;
 - c) Strengthen the overall governance and management of GOCCs by, among others, attracting highly qualified and competent individuals;
 - d) Improve the monitoring, supervision, and evaluation of the management and operations of GOCCs; and
 - e) Provide for the standardization and rationalization of the compensation of members of the Board of Directors/Trustees that is reasonable, justifiable, and appropriate to prevent abuses in the grant of salaries, *per diems*, allowances, bonuses, incentives, and other benefits.

SECTION 2. *Definition of Terms* – Unless otherwise provided elsewhere in the Executive Order, the following terms shall mean as follows:

- a) **GOCC** – Any agency organized as a stock or non-stock corporation, vested with functions relating to public needs whether governmental or proprietary in nature, and owned by the Government directly or through its instrumentalities either wholly, or, where applicable, as in the case of stock corporations, to the extent of at least 51% of its capital stock.
 - b) **Chartered GOCC** – A GOCC, including a GFI, created and vested with corporate functions by a special law.
 - c) **Non-chartered GOCC** – A GOCC organized and operating under Batas Pambansa Bilang 68 (*The Corporation Code of the Philippines*).
 - d) **GFI** – A financial institution in which the Government directly or indirectly owns majority of the capital stock and which are either registered with or directly supervised by the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas*.
 - e) **Subsidiary** – A corporation more than 50% of the voting stock of which is owned or controlled, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, by a GOCC.
 - f) **Ex-Officio Board Member** – An individual who sits or acts as a member of the Board of Directors/Trustees by virtue of his/her title to another office, and without further warrant or appointment.
 - g) **Authorized Alternate/Representative** – An individual who is officially designated by an *Ex-Officio* Board member to exercise the powers and perform the functions of the latter in the event of his/her absence or incapacity when allowed by law.
 - h) **Appointive or Elective Board Member** – An individual who sits or acts as a member of the Board of Directors/Trustees by virtue of his/her appointment or election to such a position.
 - i) **Per Diems** – Compensation granted to members of the Board of Directors/Trustees of a GOCC for attendance in meetings.
 - j) **Salaries, Allowances, Bonuses, and Benefits** – Any amount paid to members of the Board of Directors/Trustees other than *per diems* and performance based incentives.
 - k) **Annual Retainer Fees** – Annual lump sum amount paid to a member of the Board of Directors/Trustees for services rendered.
 - l) **Performance-based Incentives** – Rewards, in cash or in kind, granted to members of the Board of Directors/Trustees for exceeding performance targets.
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- m) **Reimbursable Expenses** – Actual and reasonable expenses incurred by members of the Board of Directors/Trustees in their performance of official functions which may be legally reimbursed.
- n) **Stock Plans** – Refers to stock options, outright stock, restricted stock, and deferred stock.

SECTION 3. General Provisions – The compensation of members of the Board of Directors/Trustees in GOCCs shall be in accordance with the following principles:

- a) The compensation system shall have the following characteristics:
 - 1. Simple and easy to understand, interpret, manage, and implement;
 - 2. Consistent with best practices for public and private corporations; and
 - 3. Takes into consideration the peculiar nature of corporations in terms of size, strategic positioning, nature of operations, and financial capability.
 - 4. Subject to periodic review to take into account prevailing best practices, the peculiar nature of corporations, organizational performance, the changes in skills and competence requirements, and the possible erosion in the purchasing power due to inflation and other factors.
- b) The compensation shall have the following characteristics:
 - 1. Just and equitable in accordance with the principle of equal pay for work of equal value;
 - 2. Generally comparable with those in the private sector doing comparable work in order to attract, retain, and motivate a corps of competent members of the Board of Directors/Trustees;
 - 3. Performance-based with due consideration to individual and organizational performance in terms of financial, operational, developmental, and regulatory performance, where applicable;
 - 4. Fair, reasonable, and in consideration of fiscal realities such as the availability of funds and the financial capability of the organization; and
 - 5. Subject to the approval of the President.

SECTION 4. Coverage – The policies, principles, and rules set forth herein shall apply to:

- a) Members of the Board of Directors/Trustees of all GOCCs, with or without Charter, whether or not covered by the Salary Standardization Law, regardless of classification. and all their subsidiaries, but shall exclude the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas*; and
- b) Representatives of GOCCs in the Boards of private corporations wherein the GOCCs have investments.

SECTION 5. Local Water Districts – Members of the Board of Directors/Trustees of Local Water Districts shall likewise be subject to the policies and principles set forth herein. Separate rules pertaining to classification and compensation of members of the Board of Directors/Trustees of Local Water Districts shall be issued for this purpose.

SECTION 6. GOCC Classification – For the purpose of determining the maximum allowable compensation for members of the Board of Directors/Trustees pursuant to this Executive Order, GOCCs shall be classified by size based on the assets and revenues as follows:

Classification	Assets (P)	Revenues (P)
A	≥ 100 Billion	≥ 10 Billion
B	≥ 25 Billion and < 100 Billion	≥ 2.5 Billion and < 10 Billion
C	≥ 5 Billion and < 25 Billion	≥ 500 Million and < 2.5 Billion
D	≥ 1 Billion and < 5 Billion	≥ 100 Million and < 500 Million
E	< 1 Billion	< 100 Million

- a) Assets shall be based on the prior year's audited balance sheet;
- b) Revenues shall be based in the average of the prior three years' audited income statements;
- c) GOCCs must meet both asset and revenue criteria;
- d) Additional consideration may be given for such factors as financial performance, industry, and strategic positioning; and
- e) Changes in a GOCC's classification shall be reviewed, evaluated, and recommended by the Department of Finance, subject to the approval of the President.

SECTION 7. Compensation of Members of the Board of Directors/Trustees – The compensation of members of the Board of Directors/Trustees shall be in accordance with the following rules:

- a) Department Secretaries, Undersecretaries, Assistant Secretaries and other government officials, who are *Ex-Officio* Board Members, including their Authorized Alternates/Representatives, shall not be entitled to any additional compensation for their services as such;
- b) Appointive or Elective Board Members may receive compensation as set forth herein unless specifically prohibited by law or Charter;
- c) Compensation granted to *Ex-Officio* Board Members of subsidiaries or private corporations wherein a GOCC has investments shall accrue to the GOCC represented; and
- d) Compensation granted to Appointive or Elective Board Members representing a GOCC in a private corporation where the GOCC has investments shall not exceed the allowable compensation of the members of the Board of Directors/Trustees of the GOCC represented. Any excess shall accrue and be remitted to the GOCC represented within fifteen (15) days.

SECTION 8. Compensation Structure – The compensation of members of the Board of Directors/Trustees shall have the following components:

- a) Compensation shall be in the form of *per diems* and subject to limits as provided for under Sections 9 and 10 hereof;
- b) Compensation in the form of Performance-Based Incentives may be allowed and shall be based on agreed upon metrics as provided under Section 11 hereof;
- c) Annual Retainer Fees and Stock Plans shall not be allowed; and
- d) Salaries, Allowance, Benefits, and other Bonuses shall not be allowed unless specifically authorized by law or Charter and approved by the President, *provided* that the total of

foregoing compensation and *per diems* shall not exceed the limits stipulated under Sections 9 and 10 hereof.

SECTION 9. *Per Diems for Board Meetings* – The maximum *per diem* per Regular or Special Board meeting *actually attended* provided to members of the Board of Directors/Trustees shall be based on the size of the GOCC but not to exceed the maximum annual amounts as specified herein. Actual amounts provided shall consider the nature of the GOCC and fiscal realities, but any increases from the current rates of *per diems* being granted shall take effect only upon the approval by the President.

- a) The following schedule shall serve as limits:

Classification	Max Per Diem Per Meeting (P)	Max Per year (P)
A	40,000	960,000
B	20,000	480,000
C	15,000	360,000
D	10,000	240,000
E	5,000	120,000

- b) The Board chairperson may receive not more than 20% of the amount set for members of the Board of Directors/Trustees.

SECTION 10. *Per Diems for Committee Meetings* – The maximum *per diem* per Committee meeting *actually attended* provided to members of the Board of Directors/Trustees shall be based on the size of the GOCC and shall be at most sixty percent (60%) of the amount set per Board meeting but not to exceed the maximum annual amounts as specified herein. Actual amounts provided shall consider the nature of the GOCC and fiscal realities, but any increases from the current rates of *per diems* being granted shall take effect only upon approval by the President. The following schedule shall serve as limits:

Classification	Max Per Diem Per Meeting (P)	Max Per Year (P)
A	24,000	576,000
B	12,000	288,000
C	9,000	216,000
D	6,000	144,000
E	3,000	72,000

SECTION 11. *Performance-based Incentives* – The maximum amount of Performance-Based Incentives which may be paid to members of the Board of Directors/Trustees shall be based on the size of the GOCC but not to exceed a reasonable percentage of a Board Member's *actual* annual *per diems* received. Actual amounts provided shall be based on metrics agreed upon by the Board of Directors/Trustees and the supervising department, endorsed by the Department of Finance and the Department of Budget and Management, and subject to and upon approval of the President.

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- a) A rating system shall be used to assess GOCC performance using metrics that clearly identify when targets have been met or exceeded; and
 - b) Performance-based incentives shall only be paid if a GOCC has complied with its statutory obligations.

SECTION 12. *Reimbursable Expenses* – All necessary expenses of members of the Board of Directors/Trustees to attend Board and other meetings and discharge their official duties shall be paid directly by the GOCC. However, when *due only* to the exigency of the service and subject to the submission of receipts, it is necessary for the members of the Board of Directors/Trustees to advance the same, they may be reimbursed but only for the following items incurred in the performance of official functions subject to budgeting, accounting, and auditing rules and regulation:

- a) Transportation expenses in going to and from the place of meetings;
- b) Travel expenses during official travel;
- c) Communication expenses; and
- d) Meals during business meetings.

SECTION 13. *Compliance* –

- a) The Board of Directors/Trustees of all Chartered GOCCs, whether or not covered by the Salary Standardization Law, are hereby directed to comply with the provisions contained in the Executive Order to govern the compensation and reimbursable expenses of the members of the Board of Directors/Trustees in their respective corporations; and
- b) The Board of Directors/Trustees of all Non-charted GOCCs, including all subsidiaries, are hereby directed to pass Board resolutions adopting or reiterating the provisions contained in this Executive Order to govern the compensation and reimbursable expenses of the members of the Board of Directors/Trustees in their respective corporations.

SECTION 14. *Penalties* – Non-compliance with any of the provisions of this Executive Order shall be considered insubordination or neglect of duty and such other administrative offences as may be warranted and shall be dealt with accordingly.

SECTION 15. *Restitution* – Upon the determination and report of the Commission on Audit (COA) that a member of the Board of Directors/Trustees has received any amount or property beyond what is allowed in this Executive Order or has received anything which accrues to the GOCC represented by him/her, the member of the Board of Directors/Trustees shall immediately return the same to the GOCC concerned.

SECTION 16. *Clarifications* – Any request for clarifications to the provisions of this Executive Order shall be directed to the Task Force on Corporate Compensation and must be in writing.

SECTION 17. *Separability Clause* – If for any reason, any section or provision of this Executive Order is declared to be invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof which are not affected shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 18. *Repealing Clause* – All orders, circulars, issuances, Board resolutions, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly; *provided*, that any provision not otherwise repealed or modified herein shall remain effective and enforceable as part of this Order.

SECTION 19. *Effectivity Clause* – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 24: Prescribing rules to govern the compensation of members of the Board of Directors/Trustees in Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations including Government Financial Institutions*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 25

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978 (PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464), AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE COMMITMENTS IN THE AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN GOODS UNDER THE FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) AND THE REPUBLIC OF INDIA

WHEREAS, the Framework Agreement Establishing A Comprehensive Economic Cooperation between the ASEAN and the Republic of India (Framework Agreement) was signed by the Heads of Government/State of ASEAN Member States and the Republic of India on 08 October 2003 in Bali, Indonesia, while the Protocol to Amend the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation between the ASEAN and the Republic of India was signed by the Economic Ministers on 13 August 2009 in Bangkok, Thailand;

WHEREAS, the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the Framework Agreement was signed on 24 October 2009 in Cha-am, Phetchaburi, Thailand;

WHEREAS, Parties to the Agreement on Trade in Goods share the view that the Agreement will minimize barriers, deepen economic linkages, lower business costs, increase intra-regional trade and investment, increase economic efficiency, create a larger market with greater opportunities, larger economies of scale and enhance the attractiveness to capital and talent;

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines ratified the Agreement on Trade in Goods on 27 April 2010;

WHEREAS, Article 4 of the Agreement on Trade in Goods provides that each Party shall gradually liberalise, where applicable, applied MFN tariff rates on originating goods of the other Parties in accordance with its schedule of tariff commitments as set out in Annex 1 thereof;

WHEREAS, Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, empowers the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of the National Economic and Development Authority, to modify import duties for the promotion of foreign trade.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in the Annex hereof [Articles Granted Concessions under the ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)], and accompanied by the proper Certificate of Origin (CO) Form A1 shall be subject to the rates of import duty as indicated in Columns 4-19 of said Annex.

SECTION 2. For the Republic of India and the ASEAN 9 (i.e., Brunei Darussalam, Kingdom of Cambodia, the Republic of Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Union of Myanmar, the Republic of Singapore, the Kingdom of Thailand and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam) the applicable rate shall be the AIFTA preferential tariff, subject to the submission of the

proper CO Form AI. Pursuant to Section 1313(a) of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines, as amended, the Tariff Commission may, upon request, issue tariff classification rulings to confirm the applicable rates of duty of particular products covered by this Executive Order.

SECTION 3. From the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in the Annex which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for domestic consumption shall be imposed with the rates of duty therein prescribed, subject to compliance with the Rules of Origin as provided for in Article 7 of the Agreement on Trade in Goods.

SECTION 4. Nothing in this Executive Order shall preclude the Philippines from invoking its right of recourse to all trade remedy measures provided for in its laws, this Agreement and relevant international agreements as an effective device against possibly injurious import surges.

SECTION 5. The provisions of this Executive Order are hereby declared separable and in the event any of such provisions is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions, which are not affected thereby, shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 6. All other Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. This Executive Order shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of February, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By authority of the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 25: Modifying the rates of duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978 (Presidential Decree No. 1464), as amended, in order to implement the commitments in the agreement on trade in goods under the framework agreement on comprehensive economic cooperation between the association of Southeast Asian nations (ASEAN) and the Republic of India.* Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 26
DECLARING AN INTERDEPARTMENTAL CONVERGENCE INITIATIVE FOR
A NATIONAL GREENING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, poverty reduction, resource conservation and protection, productivity enhancement, climate change mitigation and adaptation, are among the priority programs of the government;

WHEREAS, there is a need to consolidate and harmonize all greening efforts such as Upland Development Program, Luntiang Pilipinas and similar initiatives of the government, civil society and private sector under a National Greening Program;

WHEREAS, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is the primary agency responsible for the conservation, management, development and proper use of the country's environmental and natural resources;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture (DA) is the lead agency to boost farmers' income and reduce poverty in the rural sector;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) is the lead agency in the implementation of agrarian reform and sustainable rural development programs;

WHEREAS, the DA, DENR, DAR pursuant to Joint Memorandum Circular No. 1 series 2010 have adopted a Convergence Initiative to integrate and strengthen development framework between and among national government, local government agencies and other stakeholders, wherein complementary human, physical and financial resources are efficiently and effectively deployed;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 23 series 2011 has mandated the DA-DAR-DENR Convergence Initiative to develop a National Greening Program in cooperation with the Department of Education (DepEd), Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), private sector and other concerned agencies and institutions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and declare the implementation of a National Greening Program (NGP) as a government priority.

Section 1. Declaration of Policy. It is the policy of the State to pursue sustainable development for poverty reduction, food security, biodiversity conservation, and climate change mitigation and adaptation.

Section 2. Coverage. The National Greening Program shall plant some 1.5 Billion trees covering about 1.5 Million hectares for a period of six (6) years from 2011 to 2016, in the following lands of the public domain:

- 2.1 Forestlands
- 2.2 Mangrove and protected areas
- 2.3 Ancestral domains
- 2.4 Civil and military reservations

- 2.5 Urban areas under the greening plan of the LGUs
- 2.6 Inactive and abandoned mine sites; and
- 2.7 Other suitable lands

All other greening efforts of the private sector and civil society shall be harmonized under the NGP.

Section 3. Strategies. In order to ensure the successful implementation of the NGP, the following strategies shall be adopted:

3.1 *Social Mobilization*

- 3.1.1 All students, identified by the DepEd and CHED and all government employees shall be individually required to plant a minimum of ten (10) seedlings per year in areas determined by the Convergence Initiative. Private sectors and civil society groups shall likewise be encouraged to participate in the NGP.
- 3.1.2 With appropriate assistance from the government and the private sector, the Peoples' Organizations (POs) shall be given the primary responsibility of maintaining and protecting the established plantations.

3.2 *Harmonization of Initiatives*

- 3.2.1 All tree planting initiatives such as the Upland Development Program, Luntiang Pilipinas and similar activities of the government, private sector, LGUs and the civil society shall be harmonized under the NGP.
- 3.2.2 All government institutions, especially DA, DAR, DENR, CHED and DepEd shall produce appropriate quality seedlings annually for the NGP. Technical assistance shall be provided by DA, DENR, and DAR under the Convergence Initiative.

3.3 *Provision of Incentives*

- 3.3.1 All proceeds from agroforestry plantations, duly accounted by the DENR, shall accrue to the NGP beneficiary communities to address food security and poverty reduction.
- 3.3.2 NGP beneficiary communities shall be considered priority in the Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) Program.
- 3.3.3 Appropriate incentives shall be developed by the Convergence Initiative to encourage rainforestation, particularly in the protected area.

3.4 *Monitoring and Management of Database*

- 3.4.1 The DA, DAR, DENR, shall develop a centralized database and provide regular monitoring and timely report on the progress of the NGP.
- 3.4.2 The Convergence Initiative shall engage the private sector, civil society and academe in the monitoring and evaluation of the NGP.

Section 4. Oversight Committee and Lead Agency. The members of the Steering Committee under the DA-DAR-DENR Convergence Initiative shall constitute the NGP Oversight Committee, to be chaired by the DENR. The DENR shall be the lead agency for the NGP.

Section 5. Partner Agencies/Stakeholders. The NGP shall be implemented in partnership with the following agencies/stakeholders, whose responsibilities shall include but not limited to the following:

5.1 DA-DAR-DENR

- 5.1.1 Nursery establishment and seedling production
- 5.1.2 Site identification and site preparation
- 5.1.3 Social mobilization
- 5.1.4 Tree planting
- 5.1.5 Monitoring and evaluation
- 5.1.6 Technical support and extension services
- 5.1.7 Provision of certified seeds of agronomic crops
- 5.1.8 Provision of access roads and trails to planting site
- 5.1.9 Provision of post harvest and processing facilities
- 5.1.10 Technical assistance in product development and marketing

5.2 Department of Education (DepEd)/ Commission on Higher Education (CHED)

- 5.2.1 Student mobilization
- 5.2.2 Nursery establishment, seedling production and tree planting
- 5.2.3 Information, Education and Communication
- 5.2.4 Provision of extension services
- 5.2.5 Monitoring and evaluation

5.3 Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)

- 5.3.1 Provision of Conditional Cash Transfer to NGP beneficiaries
- 5.3.2 Social mobilization

5.4 Department of Budget and Management (DBM)

- 5.4.1 Allocation of funds for all activities of the NGP

5.5 Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG)

- 5.5.1 Provision of transportation, security and fire protection amenities
- 5.5.2 Information, Education and Communication

5.6 Local Government Units (LGUs)

- 5.6.1 Establishment of nurseries and production of planting materials
 - 5.6.2 Development of greening plan for urban and suburban areas
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5.6.3 Lead the establishment of communal tree farms for firewood and other domestic uses

5.6.4 Construction of access roads and trails to the planting sites

5.6.5 Provision of medical support

5.6.6 Technical assistance and extension of services

5.7 Department of Health (DOH)

5.7.1 Provision of transportation and medical support

5.8 Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)

5.8.1 Provision of transportation in the hauling of seedlings and volunteer planters

5.8.2 Assistance in the construction of access roads and trails to the planting sites

5.9 Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC)

5.9.1 Provision of transport for participants

5.9.2 Provision of communication facilities

5.10 Department of National Defense (DND)

5.10.1 Nursery establishment and seedling production

5.10.2 Site preparation

5.10.3 Provision of transportation support

5.10.4 Provision of security

5.11 Department of Science and Technology (DOST)

5.11.1 Development and transfer of appropriate technologies

5.11.2 Information, Education and Communication

5.12 Department of Justice (DOJ)

5.12.1 Nursery establishment and production of planting materials

5.12.2 Provision of transportation

5.13 National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP)

5.13.1 Mobilization of participation of indigenous peoples

5.13.2 Identification of sites for NGP inside ancestral domains

5.13.3 Supervision of forest protection activities inside ancestral domains

5.14 Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA)**5.14.1 Technical assistance in products development****5.15 Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR)****5.15.1 Provision of funds for seedling production and other related activities of the NGP**

5.16 All other government agencies, instrumentalities, including government-owned and controlled corporations (GOCCs), state universities and colleges (SUCs), shall provide full support and assistance to the NGP.

Section 6. Implementing Guidelines. All participating agencies/ institutions, within fifteen (15) days from the date of this Executive Order, shall issue their respective guidelines to implement the NGP, copy furnished the NGP Oversight Committee.

Section 7. Funding Mechanisms. Funds needed for the implementation of the NGP for the current year shall be provided by the DBM and funding for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in the regular appropriation of participating agencies.

Section 8. Separability Clause. Any portion or provision of this Executive Order that maybe declared unconstitutional shall not have the effect of nullifying other provisions hereof, as long as such remaining portions can still subsist and can be given effect in their entirety.

Section 9. Repealing Clause. All rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 27

**REDUCTION AND CONDONATION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES AND
INTEREST/PENALTIES ASSESSED ON THE POWER GENERATION FACILITIES
OF INDEPENDENT POWER PRODUCERS UNDER BUILD-OPERATE-TRANSFER
CONTRACTS WITH GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED
CORPORATIONS IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON**

WHEREAS, under Republic Act No. 7160 (“Local Government Code of 1991”), government-owned or controlled corporations (“GOCCs”) engaged in the generation and transmission of electricity enjoy a number of exemptions/privileges with respect to real property taxes, including an assessment level of 10% on all its lands, buildings, machineries and other improvements (Sections 216 and 218), as well as an exemption for all machinery and equipment that are actually, directly and exclusively used in the generation and transmission of electric power and machinery and equipment used for pollution control and environmental protection (Section 234);

WHEREAS, the Province of Quezon has taken the position that Independent Power Producers (“IPPs”) in its territory which are not GOCCs are not entitled to the exemptions/privileges of GOCCs with respect to real property taxes on their property, machinery and equipment used in the generation and distribution of electric power, and is now poised to enforce collection of the real estate taxes from the IPPs located in the Province;

WHEREAS, the payment of said real estate taxes by the affected IPPs, the obligation to pay some of which have been contractually assumed by the GOCCs and/or the National Government, threatens the financial stability of the GOCCs, the government’s fiscal consolidation efforts, and the stability of energy prices;

WHEREAS, the forcible collection of the subject real property taxes by the local government units (“LGUs”) concerned will trigger massive direct liabilities on the part of NPC/PSALM, increase the cost of electricity, and may trigger further cross-defaults, and colossal economic losses across all sectors;

WHEREAS, under Section 277 of Republic Act No. 7160, “the President of the Philippines may, when public interest so requires, condone or reduce the real property tax and interest for any year in any province or city or a municipality within the Metropolitan Manila Area.”

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. All liabilities for real property tax on property, machinery and equipment (including any special levies accruing to the Special Education Fund) actually and directly used by IPPs for the production of electricity under Build-Operate-Transfer Contracts (whether denominated Power Purchase Agreements, Energy Conversion Agreements or other contractual agreements) with GOCCs, particularly the NPC and PSALM, assessed by the Province of Quezon for all years up to 2011, are hereby reduced to an amount equivalent to the tax due if computed based on an

assessment level of fifteen percent (15%) of the fair market value of said property, machinery and equipment depreciated at the rate of two percent (2%) per annum, less any amounts already paid by the IPPs. All fines, penalties and interest on such deficiency real property tax liabilities are also hereby condoned and the concerned IPPs are relieved from payment thereof.

SECTION 2. All concerned departments, agencies and instrumentalities of the government, including GOCCs and LGUs, are hereby ordered to strictly comply with this Executive Order.

SECTION 3. All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 28th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 27: Reduction and condonation of real property taxes and interest/penalties assessed on the power generation facilities of independent power producers under Build-Operate-Transfer Contracts with Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations in the province of Quezon*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 28
REORGANIZING THE PHILIPPINE AIR NEGOTIATING PANEL AND
THE PHILIPPINE AIR CONSULTATION PANEL

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 219 dated 03 January 1995 which established the Philippine Government's Domestic and International Civil Aviation Liberalization Policy mandated the constitution of a **Philippine Air Negotiating Panel** responsible for the initial negotiations leading to the conclusion of Air Services Agreements ("ASAs") or, similar arrangements, and a separate **Philippine Air Consultation Panel** responsible for the succeeding negotiations of these ASAs (collectively, the "**Philippine Air Panels**");

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 32 dated 22 August 2001 ordered the constitution of a Single Negotiating Panel to replace the Philippine Air Panels;

WHEREAS, recent developments in tourism, trade and employment here and abroad, with far-reaching implications on the Philippine economy, necessitate the need to review the membership of the Philippine Air Panels;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reconstitute and reorganize the Philippine Air Panel to address the aforementioned developments.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. The Single Negotiating Panel created pursuant to Executive Order No. 32 dated 22 August 2001 and Executive Order No. 296 dated 10 March 2004 is hereby reconstituted and reorganized into the Philippine Air Negotiating Panel and Philippine Air Consultation Panel as follows:

Section 1.1. The **Philippine Air Negotiating Panel** shall be responsible for the initial negotiations ("**Negotiations**") leading to the conclusion of the relevant Air Services Agreements (**ASAs**). It shall be composed of the following:

- a. Chairman: Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs (**DFA**) or his duly authorized representative
- b. Members: Secretaries of the Department of Trade and Industry (**DTI**), Department of Transportation and Communications (**DOTC**), Department of Labor and Employment (**DOLE**), Department of Tourism (**DOT**) and the Executive Director of the Civil Aeronautics Board (**CAB**) or their respective duly authorized representatives

The designated official air carriers of the Philippines may participate in the proceedings as observers.

Section 1.2. The **Philippine Air Consultation Panel** (“**Consultation Panel**”) shall be responsible for the succeeding negotiations of these ASAs or similar arrangements (**Consultation Talks**). It shall be composed of the following:

- a. Chairman: Secretary of the DOTC or his duly authorized representative
- b. Vice Chairman: Executive Director of the CAB or his duly authorized representative
- c. Members: Secretaries of the DTI, DOT, DFA and DOLE or their respective duly authorized representatives

The Chairman of the Consultation Panel may designate other parties as observers but may appoint additional members to the Consultation Panel only with the approval of the President or Executive Secretary. Designated air carriers of the Philippines may participate in the proceedings as observers only.

Section 2. The CAB shall be the agency primarily responsible for coordinating and setting up all the necessary preparations for the conduct of the Negotiations and Consultation Talks, and act as the Secretariat of the Philippine Air Panels,

The CAB may constitute as many Philippine Air Panels as may be necessary to meet the demands of Negotiation and Consultation Talks.

Section 3. Executive Order No. 32 dated 22 August 2001 and Executive Order No. 296 dated 10 March 2004 are hereby revoked. The provisions of Executive Order No. 219 dated 03 January 1995, and all other executive, department, and agency issuances, are deemed amended insofar as they are inconsistent with this Order,

Section 4. The Executive Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 28: Reorganizing the Philippine Air negotiating panel and the Philippine Air Consultation Panel*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 29
AUTHORIZING THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD AND THE PHILIPPINE AIR PANELS
TO PURSUE MORE AGGRESSIVELY THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION
LIBERALIZATION POLICY

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 219 dated 03 January 1995 established a liberalized domestic and international civil aviation policy to encourage the entry into the Philippines of more domestic and international players providing air services;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 500 dated 27 January 2006, as amended by Executive Order No. 500-A, dated 22 August 2006, provided for the grant of unlimited third and fourth freedom rights to foreign air carriers operating in the Diosdado Macapagal international Airport (DMIA) and the Subic Bay International Airport (SBIA), subject to evaluation by the Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB), taking into consideration its impact on the Philippine carriers and the domestic civil aviation industry;

WHEREAS, to boost the country's competitiveness as a tourism destination and investment location, there is a need for the country to pursue more aggressively a liberalization policy in international aviation through the grant of third, fourth and fifth freedom rights and unrestricted capacities and frequencies to foreign air carriers, among others;

WHEREAS, under Section 10 of Republic Act No. 776 as amended by Presidential Decree No. 1462 and Executive Order No. 217, the CAB is vested with the power to regulate the economic aspect of air transportation in the Philippines, and to issue, deny, amend, revise, alter, modify, cancel, suspend or revoke, in whole or in part, any permit to engage in air commerce in the Philippines, except that in the case of foreign air carriers, the permit shall be subject to restrictions provided therein and issued only with the approval of the President of the Philippines.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. In the negotiation of Air Services Agreements (ASAs), the Philippine Air Negotiating Panel and/or the Philippine Air Consultation Panel (collectively, the "Philippine Air Panels") created under Executive Order No. 28 dated March 14, 2011, shall be guided by the following:

- a. The need to promote domestic tourism by providing travelers more and varied choices of access to the Philippines through improved and increased aviation services;
- b. The need to promote investment, trade, and employment generation in the Philippines through aviation;
- c. The need to spur competition in the Philippines aviation industry by enticing the entry of more players therein for the greater benefit of travelers; and,
- d. The need to enhance the competitiveness of Philippine domestic carriers.

Section 2. In the negotiation of the ASAs, the Philippine Air Panels may offer and promote third, fourth, and fifth freedom rights to the country's airports other than the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) without restriction as to frequency, capacity and type of aircraft, and other arrangements that will serve the national interest as may be determined by the CAB.

Section 3. Notwithstanding the provisions of the relevant ASAs, the CAB may grant any foreign air carriers increases in frequencies and/or capacities in the country's airports other than the NAIA, subject to the conditions required by existing laws, rules and regulations. All grants of frequencies and/or capacities which shall be subject to the approval of the President shall operate as a waiver by the Philippines of the restrictions on frequencies and capacities under the relevant ASAs.

Section 4. The CAB may impose a period or other conditions on the availment or utilization by foreign air carriers of such additional frequencies and/or capacities and may revoke the waiver granted to them if they fail to comply with said conditions.

Section 5. In no case shall the CAB grant to any foreign air carrier Cabotage traffic rights of any kind, i.e., the right to transport passengers and goods between two or more points within the Philippines.

Section 6. The provisions of Executive Order No. 219, dated 03 January 1995, Executive Order No. 500, dated 27 January 2006, Executive Order No. 500-A, dated 22 August 2006, and all other executive, department, and agency issuances, are deemed amended or revoked insofar as they are inconsistent with this Order.

Section 7. The CAB is hereby directed to draft the appropriate guidelines implementing the provisions of this Executive Order within thirty (30) days after the effectivity hereof.

Section 8. The Executive Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 29: Authorizing the Civil Aeronautics Board and the Philippine Air Panels to pursue more aggressively the International Civil Aviation Liberalization Policy*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 30

TRANSFERRING THE LAND REGISTRATION AUTHORITY (LRA) FROM THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR) TO
THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (DOJ), REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 690, SERIES OF 2007

WHEREAS, the Land Registration Authority (LRA) was transferred to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) pursuant to Executive Order No. 690, dated December 28, 2007;

WHEREAS, the government is committed to pursue a more responsive and efficient bureaucracy by adopting homogenous grouping of functionally related government agencies;

WHEREAS, with due regard to the quasi-judicial functions being performed by the LRA in land registration cases, and given the present mandate, organizational capability, expertise and experience of the LRA and its Registries of Deeds throughout the country, it is more appropriate that the LRA and its Registries of Deeds continue to perform its land registration functions under the Department of Justice (DOJ);

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of Executive Order No. 292, series of 1987, otherwise known as the “Administrative Code of 1987”, provides that the President, subject to the policy in the Executive Office and in order to achieve simplicity, economy and efficiency, shall have continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

Section 1. *Transferring LRA from DENR to the DOJ.* – The LRA is hereby transferred from the DENR to the DOJ in order to ensure a more effective and efficient execution of laws relative to land registration.

Section 2. *Repealing Clause.* – All executive orders, including Executive Order No. 690, series of 2007, rules and regulation, and other issuances or parts thereof that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order, are hereby either revoked or modified accordingly.

Section 3. *Effectivity* -This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 30: Transferring the Land Registration Authority (LRA) from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to the Department of Justice (DOJ), repealing for the purpose Executive Order No. 690, series of 2007*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 31

**DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT TO ESTABLISH
A COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE ON GOVERNMENT MANPOWER FOR BUDGET
MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, Section 22, Article VII of the Constitution requires the President to submit to Congress the yearly national budget as the basis of the General Appropriations Bill;

WHEREAS, Section 3, Chapter I, Title XVII, Book IV of Executive Order No. 292, otherwise known as the “Administrative Code of 1987”, mandates the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to assist the President in the preparation of the national budget as an instrument of national development to ensure that public funds are utilized effectively;

WHEREAS, there is a need to strengthen the results-orientation of the budget, and afford full transparency and accountability in all government expenditure operations;

WHEREAS, the Personal Services (PS) appropriations comprise more than thirty-two percent (32%) of the national budget so the government should have complete and accurate data on its manpower complement in order to effectively manage and control its PS expenditures;

WHEREAS, the DBM currently administers the Government Manpower Information System (GMIS), a computer-based management information system on government manpower in the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches, including Constitutional Offices, and utilizes the same for budget and personnel management purposes;

WHEREAS, the existing GMIS does not cover the military personnel of the Department of National Defense (DND), uniformed personnel of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), casual and contractual government personnel, and personnel of the government-owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs) and government financial institutions (GFIs);

WHEREAS, the effective management and control of PS expenditures require the urgent coverage in the GMIS of all personnel in all these aforementioned departments and agencies, including GOCCs, GFIs, and Constitutional Offices, through the enhancement and continuous development of this information system in order to accurately determine the government’s manpower complement for budget management purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Establishment of a Comprehensive Database on Government Manpower. The DBM shall establish a comprehensive database on government manpower within three (3) years from the issuance of this Executive Order. For this purpose, the existing GMIS shall be enhanced to provide a complete and accurate database of all positions, incumbents, and authorized compensation in the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches of the government, including GOCCs, GFIs, and Constitutional Offices.

SECTION 2. Submission of Agency Personnel Information. All heads of departments and agencies of the national government shall submit immediately to the DBM complete information, to include positions, incumbents, and authorized compensation, on all their respective civilian, military, and uniformed personnel complement, whether regular, casual or contractual in nature, regardless of the funding source of their PS requirement: *Provided*, that the DND, DILG, Philippine Coast Guard, and National Mapping and Resource Information Authority shall submit their roster of military or uniformed personnel, as the case may be, within the first half of the year 2011.

SECTION 3. Responsible Budgeting. The heads of the departments and agencies of the national government shall ensure that their proposed PS requirement is computed based on the personnel information provided under the preceding section and in accordance with their respective authorized compensation.

In relation thereto, the DBM during the review of the proposed budgets of national government agencies, including GOCCs, GFIs, and Constitutional Offices, shall only recommend the PS requirement that is consistent with the Comprehensive Database on Government Manpower. Consequently, the national government, including GOCCs, GFIs, and Constitutional Offices shall only provide and make payments for the authorized compensation of personnel as reflected in the Comprehensive Database on Government Manpower. Any and all payments made beyond or in excess of the foregoing shall be considered illegal disbursement of public funds, and shall make the responsible officials administratively and criminally accountable therefor.

The DBM, in coordination with the Civil Service Commission (CSC), shall conduct a risk-based personnel audit of the manpower complement of government agencies on a regular basis.

SECTION 4. Authorized Compensation. The authorized compensation referred to in this Executive Order shall pertain to the basic salary, allowances and benefits, and incentives authorized under Republic Act (R.A.) No. 6758 (Salary Standardization Law), as amended, or the respective charters of agencies and entities exempted from the coverage of this law, as amended.

SECTION 5. Regular Updating of the Government Manpower Database. The Comprehensive Database on Government Manpower shall be updated on a regular basis by the departments and agencies of the national government, including GOCCs, GFIs, and Constitutional Offices to reflect all changes in positions and incumbents.

SECTION 6. Use of the Advancement in Information Technology. The DBM shall make use of advancement in information technology to further enhance and ensure reliability and transparency of the Comprehensive Database on Government Manpower.

SECTION 7. Inter and Intra-Agency Linkage. In order to optimize the benefits of the Comprehensive Database on Government Manpower, the same shall be linked with the personnel information systems of the CSC, Government Service Insurance System, Bureau of Internal Revenue, and other concerned agencies of the government, including the human resource management information systems and payroll systems administered by the different agencies of the government.

SECTION 8. Confidentiality of Information. The DBM shall protect the confidentiality of all data and information gathered and stored in the Comprehensive Database on Government Manpower. Any breach of confidentiality or unauthorized disclosure of these data and information shall make the responsible officials administratively and criminally liable therefor under the existing laws.

SECTION 9. Implementing Guidelines. The DBM shall issue the implementing rules and regulations to ensure the proper implementation of, and the immediate compliance with, this Executive Order.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 30th day of March, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 31: Directing the Department of Budget and Management to establish a comprehensive database on government manpower for budget management and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 32
INSTITUTING THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – PANTAWID PASADA

WHEREAS, Administrative Order (AO) No. 6, Series of 2011 established the Inter-Agency Energy Contingency Committee (IECC) to undertake a comprehensive audit of the available resources of the Government, evaluate contingency plans, and submit reports to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, in view of the Middle East and North African socio-political situation which triggered the high fuel prices, the IECC has determined that the public transport sector has been hardest hit by the oil price hikes given that oil is one of the major operating costs;

WHEREAS, the IECC found it imperative to adopt a contingency program to address the adverse effects of the oil price hikes on the prices of fuel, food and other basic commodities, particularly among the vulnerable sectors of the society, such as the public transport sector, the riding public, and consuming public;

WHEREAS, the IECC unanimously recommends to provide assistance to the public transport sector to cushion the impact of high fuel prices and the resulting effects on the above-mentioned vulnerable sectors;

WHEREAS, based on the IECC's studies, the Public Transport Assistance Program (PTAP) has been found to be the most equitable and efficient form of intervention to adopt as targeted relief to these vulnerable sectors; and,

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Presidential Decree No. 910, as amended by Republic Act No. 7638, provides that all fees, services and receipts from any or all sources including receipts from service contracts and agreements collected by the Department of Energy (DOE) shall form part of a Special Fund to be used to finance energy resource development and exploration programs and projects of the government, and for such other purposes as may be directed by the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Public Transport Assistance Program – *Pantawid Pasada*. The “Public Transport Assistance Program” (PTAP) is hereby established which shall provide targeted relief to the public transport sector to cushion the impact of high fuel prices on the riding and consuming public. The Department of Energy (DOE) is hereby designated as the lead agency to implement the PTAP.

SECTION 2. Disbursement of the PTAP Funds. The PTAP shall be implemented in coordination with the IECC consistent with the members' specific responsibilities pursuant to Section 3, AO No. 6 (s. 2011). Specifically, the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), Department of Finance (DOF), and the Department of Energy (DOE) are jointly authorized to determine the monthly funding requirement of the PTAP. The PTAP shall partially subsidize the average consumption of the identified public transport group; *Provided*, That disbursement shall be

made per franchisee and on the number of franchised units based on information to be provided by the DOTC through the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB): *Provided further*, That the DOE shall use smart cards to ensure the integrity of the disbursements.

Upon the recommendation of the IECC, the DOE may review the list of those entitled to the PTAP to include other sectors whose operations may be classified as sensitive to high oil prices, and it may also suspend the PTAP when it determines that the impact of fuel costs on these sectors no longer exists.

In the case of tricycles, the PTAP shall also subsidize a portion of their average consumption. The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall coordinate with Local Government Units (LGUs) for the joint implementation of the PTAP; *Provided*: That funding for PTAP for tricycles shall be subject to availability of counterpart funds of the respective LGUs.

After the first month of implementation, the DOE shall submit to the IECC a report on the status of the accomplishments of the PTAP. The IECC shall submit its recommendations to the President regarding the continued implementation of the program and its projected requirements.

SECTION 3. Funding Source of the PTAP. The initial funding requirements of the program shall be FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY MILLION PESOS (P450,000,000.00) which shall be sourced from the Special Account in the General Fund (SAGF) of the DOE under Fund 151, to be released by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) subject to the submission of the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) Certification on the availability of deposited collections with the SAGF of the DOE and to existing laws and the usual government budgetary, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 4. Implementation of the PTAP. In the implementation of the PTAP, the DOE shall coordinate with the following departments:

- (a) Department of National Defense (DND);
- (b) DILG; and,
- (c) DOTC

SECTION 5. Duty to Extend Assistance to the PTAP. The departments, bureaus, offices, agencies or instrumentalities of the Government, including government-owned and/or controlled corporations and government financial institutions are hereby directed to extend such assistance and support to the PTAP, as may be necessary, for its successful implementation.

SECTION 6. Implementing Guidelines. The DOE as Lead, DBM, DILG, DOE, and DOTC shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the implementation of this Order within fifteen (15) days from effectivity hereof.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of April, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 32: Instituting the Public Transport Assistance Program – Pantawid Pasada*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 33
TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS (NCDA) FROM
THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT (OP) TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE
AND DEVELOPMENT (DSWD)

WHEREAS, the Philippines as a State Party to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs), manifests its commitment to promote and protect the rights and welfare of PWDs by way of legislations, programs and institutional support;

WHEREAS Presidential Decree No. 1509, as amended by Presidential Decree No. 1761, created the National Commission Concerning Disabled Persons (NCCDP) which was later renamed as the National Council for the Welfare of Disabled Persons (NCWDP) attached to the DSWD by virtue of Executive Order (E.O.) No. 123 (s. 1987);

WHEREAS, the NCWDP is tasked to formulate policies and coordinate the activities of all agencies, whether public or private, concerning disability issues and concerns as well as monitor the implementation of national laws and international commitments;

WHEREAS, E.O. No 232 (s. 1987) provided for the structural and functional reorganization of the NCWDP towards a more effective and efficient delivery of services to PWDs;

WHEREAS, by virtue of E.O. No. 676 (s. 2007), the NCWDP was transferred from the DSWD to OP to further strengthen the government's programs for the welfare of PWDs;

WHEREAS, E.O. No. 709 (s. 2008) renamed the NCWDP as the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) redefining its functions and organizational structure in consonance with the government's international commitments and national laws;

WHEREAS, recognizing that majority of PWDs live in a condition of poverty and are faced with challenges as a result of their disabilities that need to be addressed by concerted efforts between and among government agencies and the civil society, both at the national and local levels;

WHEREAS, the DSWD is mandated to provide social protection and promote the rights and welfare of the poor, vulnerable, and the disadvantaged individuals, families and communities to contribute to poverty alleviation and empowerment through social welfare and development (SWD) policies, programs, projects and services implemented with or through local government units (LGUs), non-government organizations (NGOs), peoples organizations (POs), other government organizations (GOs) and members of the civil society;

WHEREAS, the DSWD given its mandate has institutional support that can be provided to the NCDA in order to carry out its functions more effectively;

WHEREAS, one of the thrusts of the present Administration is the streamlining of attached agencies to ensure that each agency has a defined set of functions and obligation in accordance with law; and,

WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 grants the President the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Executive Branch;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Transfer of the NCDA to the DSWD. The NCDA is hereby transferred from the OP to the DSWD as its attached agency.

SECTION 2. Ex-officio Chairman. The Secretary of the DSWD shall be the *ex-officio* Chairman of the Council.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All Executive Orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this E.O. are hereby revoked, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. In the event that any provision of this E.O. is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the provisions not thereby affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 5th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 33: Transferring the National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) from the Office of the President (OP) to the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 34
CREATING THE OVERSEAS PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE TEAM AND REPLACING
THE PRESIDENTIAL MIDDLE EAST PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, it is in the national interest that the safety and welfare of overseas Filipinos be accorded primordial importance;

WHEREAS, natural disasters, civil unrest, armed conflicts and similar crises in foreign countries expose overseas Filipinos to immediate hazards and risks;

WHEREAS, there is a necessity for various government agencies that take the lead in addressing the concerns of overseas Filipinos, to focus on their real and actual capabilities in the efficient and effective delivery of services and resources to the overseas Filipinos, thereby insuring their safety and security especially in times of crisis.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following.

SECTION 1. Creation – There is hereby created an Overseas Preparedness and Response Team, hereinafter referred to as OPRT, under the Office of the President, The OPRT shall replace the Presidential Middle East Preparedness Committee, hereinafter referred to as PMEPC, created under Executive Order No. 159 (s. 2002).

SECTION 2. Functions – The following are the functions, duties, and responsibilities of the OPRT:

- (a) Subject to the approval of the President, anticipate strategies and programs, formulate policies and focus on appropriate responses to natural disasters, civil unrest, armed conflicts, and other similar crises in foreign countries affecting overseas Filipinos;
- (b) Develop and adopt interactive operating arrangements among agencies, formulate strategies, and integrate agency plans to effect maximum coordination and proper resolution of concerns that may arise during crises;
- (c) Implement all policies, plans, strategies, and modes for coordination that are approved by the President, and monitor their implementation accordingly;
- (d) Review and update the individual contingency plans submitted by the Philippine Embassies and Consulates General, undertake continuing assessment of the said plans, conduct threat and environmental scanning, and provide policy and operational guidance to ensure the safety and welfare of overseas Filipinos;
- (e) Formulate contingency plans for the following regions and review/update these plans every six (6) months:
 - i. Middle East and Africa;
 - ii. Asia, Australia, and the Pacific;
 - iii. Americas; and
 - iv. Europe.

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- (f) Establish a pool of crisis management experts, technical experts, and trained personnel from the OPRT member-agencies to form rapid reaction teams;
 - (g) Authorize the deployment of rapid reaction teams to crisis-hit areas with a significant concentration of Filipinos;
 - (h) Authorize the dispatch of additional personnel to reinforce Philippine Embassies and Consulates General for a duration of up to three (3) months, subject to extension, to ensure systematic repatriation and relocation activities, among others;
 - (i) Establish a monitoring mechanism that regularly gathers and updates information on the identities and locations of overseas Filipinos particularly in crisis-prone regions;
 - (j) Call upon, for assistance, any department, bureau, office, or agency of the government, or private sector partners (such as employment, recruitment, or manning agencies), and coordinate with and/or seek the assistance of bilateral and multilateral partners to formulate and/or implement plans, programs and policies;
 - (k) Conduct regular workshops on risk reduction and crisis management among concerned government agencies;
 - (l) Prepare a comprehensive communication plan that will apprise the public on government actions to ensure the safety of Filipinos in crisis situations;
 - (m) Direct and conduct other preparedness and contingency measures as may be required by the crisis situation; and,
 - (n) Exercise other functions and powers as may be assigned by the President.

SECTION 3. Composition – The OPRT shall be composed of the following officials:

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| (a) Executive Secretary | – Chairperson |
| (b) Presidential Adviser on Overseas Filipino Workers' (OFW) Concerns | – Member |
| (c) Foreign Affairs Secretary | – Member |
| (d) Labor and Employment Secretary | – Member |
| (e) National Defense Secretary | – Member |
| (f) Justice Secretary | – Member |
| (g) Interior and Local Government Secretary | – Member |
| (h) Budget Secretary | – Member |

SECTION 4. Secretariat – The OPRT Secretariat shall be composed of officials from the OPRT member-agencies. It shall provide administrative and related support services to the team.

The Secretariat shall be headed by a senior official designated by the Executive Secretary.

SECTION 5. Funding – The initial funding requirement for the operation of the OPRT shall be sourced from the Contingent Fund of the Office of the President and such other sources as may be identified by the Department of Budget and Management. Annual funding requirements thereon of the OPRT shall be included in the general appropriations.

The remaining funds, properties and other assets of the PMEPC are hereby transferred to the OPRT.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause – Executive Order No. 159 (s. 2002), Executive Order No. 20 (s. 2011) and all other issuances, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause – If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity – This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 6th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President
(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**
Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 34: Creating the Overseas Preparedness and Response Team and replacing the Presidential Middle East Preparedness Committee*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 35
TRANSFERRING THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE PHILIPPINE CENTER
ON TRANSNATIONAL CRIME FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 62 (s. 1999) created the Philippine Center on Transnational Crime (PCTC) under the Office of the President (OP), and placed it under the control and supervision of the National Police Commission;

WHEREAS, under Executive Order No. 735 (s. 2008), the control and supervision of PCTC has been placed under the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG);

WHEREAS, the PCTC is tasked to formulate and implement a concerted program of action of all law enforcement and intelligence agencies, in coordination with other government agencies, for the prevention and control of transnational crime;

WHEREAS, the government needs to enhance the coordination between its departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and instrumentalities for a “whole of government” approach towards a more efficient, coordinated, collaborative, and synergized effort against organized transnational criminal activity, and to link national efforts with international agencies and institutions directly involved in the global campaign against transnational crime;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure the effective implementation of government efforts in combating transnational crimes, there is an urgent need to return to the Office of the President the direct control and supervision over PCTC;

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 20, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of OP.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Transfer of PCTC from DILG to OP. The direct control and supervision over PCTC is hereby transferred from DILG to OP.

SECTION 2. Repealing Clause. All executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 11th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 35: Transferring the Control and Supervision of the Philippine Center on Transnational Crime from the Department of the Interior and Local Government to the Office of the President*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 36

CONVEYING, ASSIGNING AND TRANSFERRING THE OWNERSHIP UNTO THE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (TUP) A PORTION OF LAND OF THE PRIVATE DOMAIN IDENTIFIED AS LOT 9100-B, MCADM. 590-D, TAGUIG CADASTRAL MAPPING (SWO-13-000385), SITUATED IN BARANGAY WESTERN BICUTAN, TAGUIG CITY, METRO MANILA, ISLAND OF LUZON

WHEREAS, the Republic of the Philippines is the registered owner of a parcel of land identified as Parcel 3, Psu-2031, situated in the Municipality of Taguig (now Taguig City), Province of Rizal (now Metro Manila), containing an area of Fifteen Million Eight Hundred Twelve Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Four (15,812,684) square meters, covered by Transfer Certificate of Title No. 61524;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid parcel of land was formerly covered by Proclamation No. 423 (s. 1957), which established Fort William McKinley, now Fort Andres Bonifacio Military Reservation;

WHEREAS, on 11 July 1973, Proclamation No. 1160 was issued, excluding from the operation of Proclamation No. 423, a certain parcel of land embraced therein and reserving the same as site of the Manila Technical Institute (MTI) under the administration of the Secretary of Education and Culture, with an approximate area of One Hundred Thousand (100,000) Square Meters;

WHEREAS, on 28 December 1978, pursuant to the Letter of Implementation No. 79, the administration and supervision of MTI was transferred to the Philippine College of Arts and Trade (PCAT);

WHEREAS, on 11 June 1978, Presidential Decree No. 1518 was issued, renaming the PCAT as the Technological University of the Philippines (TUP), defining its objectives, organizational structure and functions, and expanding its programs;

WHEREAS, Section 6 of Presidential Decree No. 1518 authorizes the TUP to “receive in trust legacies, gifts, and donations of real and personal property of all kinds, to administer the same for the benefit of the Technological University of the Philippines for aid to any student in accordance with the directions and instructions of the donor, and in default, thereof, in such manner as the Board of regents may in its discretion determine. Such donations shall be exempt from all taxes and shall be considered as deductible items from the income tax of the donor.”

WHEREAS, the TUP requested for the issuance of title as required by the Commission on Higher education (CHED) and the Commission on Audit (COA), in view of the proposal for the establishment of a Motor Vehicle Inspection Site (MVI) in the campus;

WHEREAS, on 25 April 2003, the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) issued a Certification that the TUP-Taguig lot is not directly affected by the construction of C-5 Road and related projects;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Book III, Chapter 12, Section 48, Item 1 of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President of the Philippines is authorized to convey real property of the Government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Transfer of Ownership. The ownership of a portion of Parcel 3, Psu-2031, is hereby transferred, conveyed, and assigned to TUP, more particularly described as follows:

A PARCEL OF LAND (Lot 9100-B) as shown on subd. plan, Psd-00-073625, being a portion of Lot 9100, Mcadm-590-D, Taguig Cad. Mapping (of Swo-13-000385) situated in Barangay of Western Bicutan, Taguig, Metro Manila, Island of Luzon.

Bounded on the NW., along lines 1 to 5 by Proposed Circumferential Road; on the NW. and NE., along lines 5 to 7 by Lot 1, Swo-13-000298 (Republic of the Philippines, Western Bicutan); on the SE., along line 7-8 by Concrete Road and on the SW., along lines 8 to 16-1 by Lot 9100-A of the subd. plan.

Beginning at a point marked "1" on plan, being S. 66 deg. 00'W., 4707 m. BBLM NO. 1, MCadm-590-D, Taguig Cadastre Mapping; thence:

N. 34-55'E.,	10.96 m. to point 2;
N. 27-30'E.,	22.33 m. to point 3;
N. 20-06'E.,	22.32 m. to point 4;
N. 12-42'E.,	22.34 m. to point 5;
N. 66-15'E.,	293.50 m. to point 6;
S. 27-43'E.,	233.70 m. to point 7;
S. 66-39'W.,	371.82 m. to point 8;
S. 66-47'W.,	7.05 m. to point 9;
N. 87-05'W.,	2.95 m. to point 10;
N. 62-26'W.,	1.79 m. to point 11;
N. 10-42'W.,	7.43 m. to point 12;
N. 16-14'W.,	11.52 m. to point 13;
N. 11-01'W.,	55.25 m. to point 14;
N. 15-10'W.,	24.01 m. to point 15;
N. 21-34'W.,	23.86 m. to point 16;
N. 26-17'W	53.93 m. to point of;

Beginning, containing an area of **EIGHTY ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY NINE (81,749) SQUARE METERS** more or less. All points referred to are indicated on plan and marked on the ground by: Old points.

SECTION 2. Reversion. The area shall automatically revert to military control when no longer needed for educational purposes, pursuant to the conditions set in Proclamation No. 1160 (s. 1973).

SECTION 3. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 4. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 18th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 36: Conveying, assigning and transferring the ownership unto the Technological University of the Philippines (TUP) a portion of land of the private domain identified as Lot 9100-B, MCADM. 590-D, Taguig cadastral mapping (SWO-13-000385), situated in Barangay Western Bicutan, Taguig City, Metro Manila, island of Luzon*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 37

RETURNING THE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISION OVER THE SECURITIES AND
EXCHANGE COMMISSION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY
TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 902-A otherwise known as the SEC Reorganization Act, which took effect on 11 March 1976, reorganized, granted additional powers to, and placed the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under the administrative supervision of the Office of the President (OP);

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 192 (s. 2000) transferred the administrative supervision over SEC from OP to the Department of Finance (DOF);

WHEREAS, by virtue of Executive Order No. 800 (s. 2009), such administrative supervision was transferred to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) with the end view of facilitating the coordination of policies and programs in the fields of trade, industry, and investment;

WHEREAS, given the global economic crisis, the effective implementation of policies for a strong and stable financial system will result in a financial sector that will be able to contribute more to the economic growth and development of the country;

WHEREAS, to achieve the foregoing and to ensure effective financial sector coordination, it is necessary and desirable to restore the administrative supervision of SEC to DOF; and

WHEREAS, EO No. 292 (s. 1987) otherwise known as the Administrative Code of 1987 provides the President the continuing authority to reorganize the Executive Branch.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Administrative Supervision. The SEC is hereby placed under the administrative supervision of the DOF.

SECTION 2. Repealing Clause. All laws, executive orders, decrees, rules and regulations or parts thereof, contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 19th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 37: Returning the Administrative Supervision over the Securities and Exchange Commission from the Department of Trade and Industry to the Department of Finance*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 38

CONSOLIDATING ALL PRESIDENTIAL ISSUANCES RELATING TO THE COMBAT DUTY PAY AND COMBAT INCENTIVE PAY OF OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the Government fully appreciates the critical role being played by the members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) in the preservation of national security and territorial sovereignty;

WHEREAS, the Government has enacted several issuances in cognizance of the heroism and sacrifices of the frontline soldiers who figure directly in actual combat against various groups who continuously threaten national peace and security;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) Nos. 1017 (s. 1985), 658 (s. 2007) and 15 (s. 2010), provide for the rate of combat duty pay and combat incentive pay as well as enumerate those entitled to receive the same; and

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to consolidate the different issuances to ensure that the total combat pay including allowances and incentives are adequate and commensurate to the services rendered by the members of the AFP, in pursuance of the intent of this Administration to improve their conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Combat Duty Pay. The rate of Combat Duty Pay of the officers and enlisted personnel of the AFP specified under EO No. 1017 (s. 1985) is hereby rendered ineffective. In its stead, the rate shall now be five hundred pesos (P500.00) per month.

SECTION 2. Persons Entitled to Combat Duty Pay. Officers and enlisted personnel performing combat duties/activities as defined in regulations to be issued by the Secretary of National Defense are entitled to receive Combat Duty Pay.

SECTION 3. Combat Incentive Pay. The provisions of EO No. 658 (s. 2007) which provide that the members of the AFP who figure directly in actual combat against members of various insurgent, terrorist and lawless groups shall be entitled to an additional combat incentive pay of one hundred fifty pesos (P150.00) per day while actually engaged in combat operation is hereby revived and given effect, subject to the following conditions:

- a. The operation must be for a specific combat mission that is duly covered by an Operations Order (OPORD) or a Fragmentary Order (FRAG-O).
- b. The personnel involved in combat must be in the published task organization of the OPORD.
- c. The total additional combat incentive pay for each individual shall not exceed one thousand five hundred pesos (P1,500.00) per OPORD/FRAG-O.

This combat incentive pay shall be over and above the five hundred pesos (P500.00) per month combat duty pay that the members of the AFP assigned in field units are entitled to.

SECTION 4. Funding Requirement. The initial funding requirements necessary to implement this Executive Order shall be drawn from the Personal Services (PS) savings realized by the AFP during FY 2010 and FY 2011, as may be determined by the AFP. Succeeding funding for this purpose shall be included in the General Appropriations Act, provided that the actual roster of military personnel is submitted to the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). The said list shall be the basis for allocating funds for the purpose in the succeeding fiscal years.

SECTION 5. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Repeal. All executive orders, rules and regulations and other parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby revoked, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect starting 01 January 2011 and thereafter.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 28th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 38: Consolidating all presidential issuances relating to the combat duty pay and combat incentive pay of officers and enlisted personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philippines*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 39
DESIGNATING THE ANTI-TERRORISM COUNCIL AS THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL
AUTHORITY ON THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION AND
OTHER DISARMAMENT ISSUES

WHEREAS, the Philippines took part in the negotiations that led to the adoption of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons Convention (CWC), on 03 September 1992;

WHEREAS, the Philippines signed the Convention on 13 January 1993 and ratified the same on 21 February 1995, with the Philippine Senate Concurring through its Resolution No. 49 dated 19 August 1996;

WHEREAS, there is a need to fully comply with our obligations under the CWC and implement the provisions thereof in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, paragraph 4 Article VII of the CWC provides that each State Party shall establish a National Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Foreign Affairs has temporarily functioned as the interim National Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. National Authority. The Anti-Terrorism Council (ATC) is hereby designated as the Philippine National Authority on Chemical Weapons Convention, hereinafter referred to as PNA-CWC, to be headed by the Executive Secretary as Chairperson of the ATC. The PNA-CWC shall serve as the national coordinating body for effective liaison with the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and other States Parties to the Chemical Weapons Convention, and shall be the lead agency in the implementation of the provisions of the Convention.

SECTION 2. Secretariat of the PNA-CWC. The ATC-Program Management Center (ATC-PMC) shall act as the Secretariat of the PNA-CWC. The PNA-CWC may request personnel from other government agencies to assist the Secretariat.

SECTION 3. Sub-Committees. To facilitate its work, the PNA-CWC may establish Sub-Committees, as it may deem necessary, to assist in the implementation of its functions and as a pool of experts.

SECTION 4. Duty to Extend Assistance to the PNA-CWC. All departments, bureaus, offices, agencies or instrumentalities of the Government, including government-owned and/or controlled corporations and government financial institutions are hereby directed to extend such assistance and support to the PNA-CWC, as may be necessary, for the successful implementation of its functions.

SECTION 5. Funding for the PNA-CWC. The initial funding requirement for the first year of operation of the PNA-CWC, in the amount of **FIVE MILLION PESOS (P5,000,000.00)**, shall be

chargeable against the Contingent Fund of the Office of the President. Thereafter, the amount needed for the operation of the PNA-CWC and its Secretariat shall be included in the budget of the ATC.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 28th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 39: Designating the Anti-Terrorism Council as the Philippine National Authority on the Chemical Weapons Convention and other disarmament issues*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 40
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE THIRD TRANCHE OF THE MODIFIED SALARY SCHEDULE
FOR CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AND BASE PAY SCHEDULE FOR MILITARY AND
UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, the Philippine Government has adopted the modified Salary Schedule for civilian personnel and the Base Pay Schedule for military and uniformed personnel as authorized in the Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution No. 4 (s. 2009) which shall be implemented in four (4) yearly tranches for personnel in national government agencies (NGAs);

WHEREAS, for personnel in government-owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs), government financial institutions (GFIs), and local government units (LGUs), the implementation of the modified Salary Schedule shall be in at least four (4) years depending on their financial capabilities, pursuant to item (13) of the Joint Resolution;

WHEREAS, the first tranche of the modified Salary Schedule and Base Pay Schedule have been implemented effective 1 July 2009 for personnel in NGAs, GOCCs, and GFIs, and effective 1 January 2010 for personnel in LGUs;

WHEREAS, the second tranche of the modified Salary Schedule and Base Pay Schedule have been implemented effective 24 June 2010 for personnel in NGAs, GOCCs, and GFIs, and effective 1 January 2011 for personnel in LGUs; and

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 10147, the FY 2011 General Appropriations Act (GAA), provides appropriations under the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund (MPBF) for the implementation of the third tranche of the modified Salary Schedule and Base Pay Schedule for personnel in NGAs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Coverage and Exclusion.

- (a) Civilian Personnel – The compensation adjustments due to the implementation of the third tranche of the modified Salary Schedule shall cover all positions for civilian personnel in the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches, the Constitutional Commissions/Offices, State Universities and Colleges, GOCCs, GFIs, and LGUs, whether regular, casual, or contractual in nature, appointive or elective, on full-time or part-time basis, now existing or hereafter created.
- (b) Military and Uniformed Personnel – The compensation adjustments due to the implementation of the third tranche of the modified Base Pay Schedule shall cover the military personnel under the Department of National Defense (DND) and uniformed personnel under the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), and National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA).

(c) The following are excluded from the coverage of the compensation adjustments:

- (i) Individuals and groups of people whose services are engaged through job orders, contracts of service, or others similarly situated; and
- (ii) Civilian personnel in government entities which are exempted from RA No. 6758 and are authorized by law to adopt and are actually implementing their own compensation and position classification systems approved by the Office of the President.

SECTION 2. Implementation of the Third Tranche Monthly Salary Schedule for Civilian Personnel of the National Government. The Salary Schedule attached as Annex “A,” which is the third tranche of the modified Salary Schedule provided in item (4)(b) of Joint Resolution No. 4, shall be implemented effective 1 June 2011 for personnel in NGAs, and in GOCCs and GFIs.

SECTION 3. Implementation of the Third Tranche Monthly Base Pay Schedule for Military and Uniformed Personnel. The Base Pay Schedule attached as Annex “B,” which is the third tranche of the modified Base Pay Schedule in item (8) of Joint Resolution No. 4, shall be implemented effective 1 June 2011.

SECTION 4. Implementation of the Third Tranche Monthly Salary Schedule for LGU Personnel. The implementation of the third tranche of the modified Salary Schedule for LGU personnel shall be determined by the *sanggunian* concerned based on the LGU income class and financial capability: *Provided*, That such salary rates shall not exceed the following applicable percentages of the rates in Annex “A,” pursuant to item (7)(a) of Joint Resolution No. 4: *Provided*, Further, That the resulting Personal Services (PS) cost shall not exceed the PS limitation in LGU budgets, as provided under Sections 325(a) and 331(b) of RA No. 7160: *Provided*, Finally, That there shall be no diminution in the basic salaries of incumbents for purposes of complying with said PS limitation.

Percentages of Salary Rates in Annex “A”

	For Provinces/Cities	For Municipalities
Special Cities	100%	
1 st Class	100%	90%
2 nd Class	95%	85%
3 rd Class	90%	80%
4 th Class	85%	75%
5 th Class	80%	70%
6 th Class	75%	65%

For this purpose, the DBM shall issue the Third Tranche Monthly Salary Schedule for Local Government Personnel for each LGU income class to take effect not earlier than 1 January 2012.

SECTION 5. Inapplicability to Certain Officials. In accordance with Section 10, Article VI of the Constitution, no increase in compensation shall take effect until after the expiration of the full term of all the Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives approving such increase.

SECTION 6. Funding. The fund sources for the amounts necessary to implement the provisions of this Executive Order shall be as follows:

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- (a) For NGAs, the amounts shall be charged against the appropriation for the purpose under the MPBF in the FY 2011 GAA and from available savings. Thereafter, such amounts as may be needed shall be included in the annual GAA;
 - (b) For GOCCs and GFIs, the amounts shall be charged against their respective corporate funds in the approved corporate operating budgets; and
 - (c) For LGUs, the amounts shall be charged against their respective local government funds.

SECTION 7. Uniform Implementation in Case of Insufficiency of Funds.

- (a) GOCCs and GFIs which do not have adequate or sufficient funds shall implement salary schedules which shall be at uniform percentages of the rates in Annex “A.”
- (b) LGUs which do not have adequate or sufficient funds to implement the salaries authorized for their LGU income classes shall implement salary schedules which shall be at uniform percentages of the rates in the respective Third Tranche Monthly Salary Schedules for Local Government Personnel.

SECTION 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The DBM shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order.

SECTION 9. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila this 29th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

References: Annexes “A” and “B”

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 40: Implementation of the third tranche of the modified salary schedule for civilian personnel and base pay schedule for military and uniformed personnel in the government*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 41
REACTIVATING THE PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE AGAINST ILLEGAL
RECRUITMENT CREATED UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 759 (S. 2008)
AND STRENGTHENING THE SAME

WHEREAS, the Presidential Task Force Against Illegal Recruitment (PTFAIR) created under Executive Order No. 759 (s. 2008), which is tasked to coordinate programs and initiatives of all government agencies concerning illegal recruitment, was automatically dissolved after two years from its effectivity;

WHEREAS, despite concerted efforts to eliminate illegal recruitment, this social menace continues to persist and pose a continuing threat to Filipino workers, their financial resources and properties;

WHEREAS, the State has the obligation to safeguard public interest and to prevent Filipino workers from being victimized by unscrupulous recruiters and their cohorts and to bring to justice these perpetrators of illegal recruitment;

WHEREAS, to effectively combat illegal recruitment, it is critical for concerned government agencies at the national and local levels to cooperate, collaborate, and coordinate with each other more effectively and in partnership with non-government organizations and other concerned private entities;

WHEREAS, there is a need to reactivate and strengthen the PTFAIR under the supervision of the Vice President, being the Presidential Adviser on Overseas Filipino Workers' Concerns, in order to sustain a more focused, coordinated, and effective program of action to curb illegal recruitment; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Executive Branch of the government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reactivating and Strengthening the PTFAIR. The PTFAIR is hereby reactivated and strengthened. It shall be under the supervision of the Vice President of the Philippines for policy and program coordination.

SECTION 2. Composition. The PTFAIR shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson:	The Vice President
Vice- Chairpersons:	Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Secretary, Department of Justice (DOJ)
Members:	Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Administrator, Philippine Overseas Employment Agency(POEA)

Commissioner, Bureau of Immigration (BI)
Prosecutor General, DOJ
Director, National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)
Head, Philippine National Police – Criminal
Investigation and Detection Group (PNP-CIDG)
General Manager, Manila International Airport Authority (MIAA)

The Chairperson may recommend to the President the inclusion of other members to the PTFAIR as the circumstances and exigencies may require.

SECTION 3. Functions. The PTFAIR shall coordinate programs and initiatives of the government agencies concerned in addressing illegal recruitment, which shall include, but not limited to the following:

- a. Development and execution of strategies and schemes against the *modus operandi* of illegal recruiters, such as “escort” services within international airports and other ports of departure;
- b. Development and execution of strategies against syndicates responsible for tampering with and the sale of spurious passports and travel documents; and
- c. Prosecution of illegal recruiters and syndicates, their cohorts, protectors, and coddlers.

SECTION 4. Powers. In pursuit of its functions as defined in the preceding section, the PTFAIR shall have the responsibility and authority to:

- a. Conduct surveillance and entrapment operations of persons alleged to be engaged in illegal recruitment as defined in Section 6 of Republic Act No. 8042, as amended, including, but not limited to, “escort” services at international airports and other ports of departure, and to effect warrants of arrests through its law enforcement arm;
- b. Cause or direct the immediate investigation and speedy prosecution of cases involving illegal recruitment and monitor the progress of such cases;
- c. Coordinate with existing bodies, agencies, and other instrumentalities currently involved in the campaign against illegal recruitment;
- d. Hire lawyers, operatives, and support staff in such number as the circumstances and exigency of the service may require, whose terms shall be coterminous with that of the PTFAIR;
- e. Initiate and undertake such projects and activities in coordination and partnership with concerned government agencies, non-government organizations and private entities;
- f. Organize Anti-Illegal Recruitment Task Forces at the regional levels, in coordination with the concerned local government units and agencies; and
- g. Perform other powers and functions as may be deemed necessary by the Chairperson for the effective discharge of its mandate or as may be directed by the President.

SECTION 5. Operational and Law Enforcement Arm. The NBI and the PNP-CIDG shall serve as the operational and law enforcement arms of the PTFAIR. They shall operate as a composite team with the POEA, BI, and other members of the PTFAIR.

SECTION 6. Secretariat. The Anti-Illegal Recruitment Branch of the POEA shall serve as the Secretariat of the PTFAIR, and shall prepare and submit periodic reports to the Office of the President through the PTFAIR Chairperson.

The Secretariat shall also prepare an operational and procedural manual to guide the operations of the PTFAIR to ensure that all existing laws, rules, and regulations are followed, and that basic rights of persons are protected.

SECTION 7. Office. The POEA shall provide sufficient space, office requirements, and utilities at its premises in the Blas F. Ople Building, EDSA corner Ortigas Ave., Mandaluyong City, to serve as the principal office of the PTFAIR, without costs to the latter.

SECTION 8. Assistance and Cooperation. All other government agencies are hereby directed to actively coordinate and cooperate with the PTFAIR and support the anti-illegal recruitment campaign of the government. For this purpose, the Chairperson may call upon the heads of government agencies for assistance, as may be necessary.

SECTION 9. Funding. All other government agencies involved in the campaign against illegal recruitment are authorized to allocate from their existing funds such amounts as may be necessary for the additional funding requirements that may be needed by the PTFAIR, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

The President may, subject to his discretion, allocate additional funds for the PTFAIR through the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 10. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 11. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances or part thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Done in the City of Manila on this 29th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 41: Reactivating the Presidential Task Force against illegal recruitment created under Executive Order No. 759 (s. 2008) and strengthening the same*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 42
PROVIDING THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON GOOD GOVERNMENT WITH
PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY TO REPLACE DIRECTORS IN SEQUESTERED OR
SURRENDERED CORPORATIONS

WHEREAS, the Presidential Commission on Good Government is mandated to oversee the judicious management of shares and/or corporations sequestered by or surrendered to it through, among others, the supervision of nominee-directors to such corporations;

WHEREAS, it is recognized that a number of nominee-directors presently occupying various positions in such corporations continue to do so in a holdover capacity from the previous administration; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that the directors appointed to these positions are faithful in the discharge of their fiduciary duties and in serving and safeguarding the interest of the Philippines and the Filipino people,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. *Granting of Provisional Authority* The Presidential Commission on Good Government (PCGG) in addition to its powers, functions and duties pursuant to existing laws and executive issuances shall have the provisional authority to replace any of the nominee-directors currently holding positions in such capacity in any of the corporations sequestered by or surrendered to it with up to two members of the PCGG.

SECTION. 2. *Validity* The provisional authority subject of this issuance shall be exercised by the PCGG Chairperson, The designation of any PCGG member as provisional nominees will be valid until permanent replacements are made by the President, These permanent replacements shall be under the general supervision of the PCGG.

SECTION 3 *List of temporary nominees.* The PCGG shall furnish the President through the Executive Secretary, with a list of the temporary replacements to the board of such corporations within a reasonable time from the moment they are made.

SECTION. 4. *Report.* All nominee-directors shall be required to submit to the PCGG monthly reports or as often as may be required, on the affairs, developments and transactions affecting the respective corporations. The PCGG shall from time to time submit a detailed summary of these reports to the President.

SECTION. 5. *Duration.* Unless otherwise extended by the President, the provisional authority granted to the PCGG shall be valid until 31 December 2011.

SECTION. 6. *Repealing Clause.* All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION. 7. *Effectivity.* This Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a national newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 9th day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 43
PURSUING OUR SOCIAL CONTRACT WITH THE FILIPINO PEOPLE THROUGH
THE REORGANIZATION OF THE CABINET CLUSTERS

WHEREAS, the Preamble of the 1987 Philippine Constitution articulates the aspiration of the sovereign Filipino people to build a just and humane society, and establish a Government that shall embody our ideals and aspirations, promote the common good, conserve and develop our patrimony, and secure to ourselves and our posterity, the blessings of independence and democracy under the rule of law and a regime of truth, justice, freedom, love, equality, and peace;

WHEREAS, the aspirations in the Preamble are embodied in the President's Social Contract with the Filipino People, a sixteen-point agenda that lays down the vision of government in the different priority areas of development;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2011-2016 is the government's blueprint that defines the strategies and programs that will translate the Social Contract into efficient, effective, and responsive actions that are achievable within the term of office of the President;

WHEREAS, given its finite resources, Government needs to orient and direct its programs, projects, and activities towards the attainment of development outcomes that will lead the nation closer to its priority development goals;

WHEREAS, the Cabinet, as the highest policy-making body of the Executive branch of government, serves as a catalyst for national development;

WHEREAS, consonant with the principles of efficiency, effectiveness, and focus, the Cabinet needs to be organized thematically into smaller groups otherwise called as the Cabinet Clusters; and

WHEREAS, the Cabinet Clusters shall serve as a venue and mechanism for coordination, harmonization, complementation, and synergy among the Departments and other Government instrumentalities with the main purpose of attaining national development goals and objectives, as disaggregated into annual performance targets,

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. *Defining our Vision.* Our vision is a country with:

A re-awakened sense of right and wrong, through the living examples of our highest leaders;

An organised and widely-shared rapid expansion of our economy through a government dedicated to honing and mobilizing our people's skills and energies as well as the responsible harnessing of our natural resources;

A collective belief that doing the right thing does not only make sense morally, but translates into economic value as well; and

Public institutions rebuilt on the strong solidarity of our society and its communities.

SECTION 2. *Key Result Areas of our Social Contract.*

- a. **Transparent, accountable, and participatory governance** – to institutionalize open, transparent, accountable, and inclusive governance;
- b. **Poverty reduction and empowerment of the poor and vulnerable** – to translate the gains from good governance into direct, immediate and substantial benefits for the poor;
- c. **Rapid, inclusive, and sustained economic growth** – to achieve rapid economic expansion that generates jobs and livelihood for and increase the income of the poor while moving away from the boom-and-bust cycle of the economic performance of the past;
- d. **Just and lasting peace and the rule of law** – to attain a just, comprehensive, and lasting peace within the bounds of our law; and
- e. **Integrity of the environment and climate change adaptation and mitigation** – to promote sustainable natural resource utilization and climate change adaptation and mitigation strategies and measures among national government agencies, the local government units (LGUs) and their respective communities, the general public, and other stakeholders.

To achieve focus and optimal impact given the available resources of Government, all departments and agencies shall orient their programs, projects, and activities towards the pursuit of these five (5) key result areas.

Furthermore, the government shall engage key stakeholders such as the LGUs, the legislative and judicial branches of government, and the private sector, particularly the business and civil society, in pursuit of our Social Contract with the Filipino People.

SECTION 3. *Organizing the Cabinet Clusters.* The Cabinet is hereby organized thematically into five (5) clusters composed of the following: (a) Good Governance and Anti-Corruption; (b) Human Development and Poverty Reduction; (c) Economic Development; (d) Security, Justice and Peace; and (e) Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation.

SECTION 4. *Functions.* The Cabinet Clusters shall serve as the primary mechanism of the Executive Branch for directing all efforts towards the realization of the Social Contract with the Filipino People and its five (5) key result areas. They shall set concrete and measurable targets per program and/or project every year until 2016 leading to the intended outcomes as outlined above.

Furthermore, the Clusters shall assess the degree of accomplishment of their respective cluster targets in partnership with the private sector and civil society organizations; evaluate whether the milestones leading to the intended outcomes are being attained; and undertake the necessary measures to fast-track program and/or project implementation. Regular reports on the actual results of program and project implementation shall be submitted to the Presidential Management Staff.

Finally, the Clusters shall serve as advisory committees to the Office of the President. As such, they shall recommend measures on policy and operational matters for the final consideration of said office.

SECTION 5. *Participation of Cabinet Members.* Participation in the Cluster meetings and activities is not limited to the core members identified herein. For this reason, the Cluster Chairs may require the participation of the heads of other departments and/or agencies as deemed necessary.

The Executive Secretary and the Secretary of the Presidential Management Staff shall attend all Cluster meetings as regular members, in the performance of their general monitoring and oversight functions.

The Secretary of the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office and the Presidential Spokesperson shall attend and participate in all cluster meetings to effectively

communicate to the general public, agreements or major discussion points therein, or those which may be subsequently approved by the President.

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SECTION 6. *Good Governance and Anti-Corruption.* The Good Governance and Anti-Corruption Cluster shall promote transparency, accountability, participatory governance, and strengthening of public institutions. It shall also work to regain the trust and confidence of the public in government. In particular, the following goals shall be pursued:

- a. Upholding transparency in government transactions and our commitment to combating graft and corruption.
- b. Strengthening of the capacity of government institutions to link their respective budgets with performance outcomes and enabling citizens and civil society to monitor and evaluate these;
- c. A professional, motivated and energized bureaucracy with adequate means to perform their public service missions;
- d. Improvement of public sector asset and resource management and revenue performance; and
- e. Establishing an improved policy and regulatory environment that will reduce the cost of doing business in the country and improve competition;

The composition of the Cluster shall be as follows:

Chair:	The President
Members:	Secretary, Department of Budget and Management
	Secretary, Department of Finance
	Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
	Secretary, Department of Justice
	Secretary, Department of Trade and Industry
	Head, Presidential Legislative Liaison Office
	Chief Presidential Legal Counsel
Secretariat:	Department of Budget and Management

SECTION 7. *Human Development and Poverty Reduction.* The Human Development and Poverty Reduction Cluster shall focus on improving the overall quality of life of the Filipino and translating the gains of good governance into direct, immediate, and substantial benefits that will empower the poor and marginalized segments of society. In particular, the cluster shall pursue the following goals:

- a. Making education the central strategy for investing in our people, reducing poverty and building national competitiveness;
- b. Recognizing the importance of advancing and protecting public health;
- c. Building of the capacities and creation of opportunities among the poor and the marginalized;
- d. Increasing social protection and engaging communities in their own development;

- e. Promotion of equal gender opportunities in all spheres of public policies and programs; and
- f. Ensuring effective coordination of national government programs for poverty reduction at the local level.

The composition of the Cluster shall be as follows:

Chair:	Secretary, Department of Social Welfare and Development
Members:	Chair, Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council
	Secretary, Department of Agrarian Reform
	Secretary, Department of Agriculture
	Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources
	Secretary, Department of Education
	Chair, Commission on Higher Education
	Secretary, Department of Health
	Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment
	Secretary, Department of Budget and Management
	Secretary, National Economic Development Authority
	Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
	Lead Convenor, National Anti-Poverty Commission
Secretariat:	National Anti-Poverty Commission

SECTION 8. *Economic Development.* The Economic Development Cluster shall focus on the promotion of rapid, inclusive, and sustained economic growth. In particular, the following goals shall be pursued:

- a. Promoting an environment conducive to the growth and competitiveness of private enterprises and the creation of jobs that will empower people and provide them with opportunities to rise above poverty;
- b. Ensuring the reliability of vital infrastructure and technologies that facilitate the movement of peoples, goods, services, and information; and energy that will fuel the economy;
- c. Improving farms and rural enterprises vital to achieving food security and more equitable economic growth;
- d. Undertaking research and development that are relevant to and supportive of the requirements of micro-, small- and medium-scale enterprises and of national industries;
- e. Improving of national productivity and the competitiveness of domestic products and services; and
- f. Ensuring deep and wide distribution of economic opportunities and benefits to the Filipino people.

The Cluster shall be composed of the following:

Chair:	Secretary, Department of Finance
Members:	Secretary, National Economic and Development Authority
	Secretary, Department of Trade and Industry
	Secretary, Department of Budget and Management
	Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways

Secretary, Department of Transportation and Communications
Secretary, Department of Energy
Secretary, Department of Science and Technology
Secretary, Department of Tourism
Secretary, Department of Agriculture
Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
Secretariat: National Economic and Development Authority

The Economic Development Cluster may enjoin the participation of the Governor of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas as necessary.

SECTION 9. *Security, Justice and Peace.* The Security Cluster shall ensure the preservation of national sovereignty and the rule of law; and focus on the protection and promotion of human rights and the pursuit of a just, comprehensive, and lasting peace. In particular, the Security Cluster shall pursue the following goals:

- a. Protecting our national territory and boundaries;
- b. Attaining a just and lasting peace;
- c. Ensuring the welfare of the Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs);
- d. Strengthening the rule of law;
- e. Institutionalizing an efficient and impartial justice system that delivers equal justice to the rich and poor; and
- f. Advancing and protecting human rights.

The Cluster shall be composed of the following:

Chair: The Executive Secretary
Members: Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs
Secretary, Department of National Defense
Secretary, Department of Justice
National Security Adviser
Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process
Secretariat: National Security Council

SECTION 10. *Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation.* The Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Cluster shall focus on the conservation, and protection of the environment and natural resources. It shall take the lead in pursuing measures to adapt to and mitigate the effects of climate change on the Philippine archipelago; and undertake all the necessary preparation for both natural and man-made disasters. The cluster shall pursue the following objectives in particular:

- a. Adopting climate change adaptation and mitigation measures by local government units and their respective communities, national government agencies, and the general public; and ensure that these are incorporated in their annual work plans and budgets, where applicable;
- b. Ensuring the utilization of natural resources for the equal benefit of the present and future generations;

- c. Formulating alternative and inclusive urban development plans, which ensure that people of varying income levels are integrated in productive, healthy and safe communities; and
- d. Undertaking all other measures necessary to prepare for and manage the risks and/or threats associated with natural and man-made phenomena such as, but not limited to, typhoons, earthquakes, tsunami, floods, landslides, civil disturbance and terrorism.

The Cluster shall be composed of the following:

Chair: Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources
Members: Chair, Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council
Secretary, Department of Science and Technology
Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways
Secretary, Department of Social Welfare and Development
Secretary, Department of Agriculture
Secretary, Department of Agrarian Reform
Secretary, Department of Energy
Secretary, Department of National Defense
Chair, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority
Secretariat: Climate Change Commission

SECTION 11. *Separability.* Should any part of this Executive Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. *Repealing Clause.* All other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 13. *Effectivity.* This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the city of Manila this 13th day of May, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 44

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 571 (S. 2006) RENAMING THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE
SECTOR TASK FORCE ON PHILIPPINE COMPETITIVENESS AS THE NATIONAL
COMPETITIVENESS COUNCIL (NCC) AND EXPANDING ITS MEMBERSHIP

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 571 (s. 2006) created the Public-Private Sector Task Force on Philippine Competitiveness;

WHEREAS, it is the collective desire of both the government and the business sector to jointly address the competitiveness indicators that will impact on our competitiveness ranking and strengthen our industry, agriculture and service sectors, create jobs and increase income as we move up the value chain;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to demonstrate our country's commitment towards enhancing our competitiveness and upgrading our competitiveness ranking; and

WHEREAS, the President has the continuing authority to re-organize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by the virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order:

SECTION 1. National Competitiveness Council. The Public-Private Sector Task Force on Philippine Competitiveness, created under EO No. 571, shall be renamed as the National Competitiveness Council (NCC). The NCC shall be attached to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and shall report to the Economic Development Cluster.

SECTION 2. Mandate. The NCC shall promote and develop national competitiveness strategies and push for the implementation of the Action Agenda for Competitiveness, hereinafter referred to as the Action Agenda, and link this to the Philippine Development Plan (PDP).

SECTION 3. Composition. The NCC shall be composed of the following:

- a) Secretary of Trade and Industry – Chairperson
- b) Private Sector Representative – Co-Chairperson
- c) Secretary of Finance
- d) Secretary of Energy
- e) Secretary of Tourism
- f) Secretary of Education
- g) Director General, National Economic Development Authority (NEDA)
- h) Five (5) Private Sector Representatives

The Co-Chairperson shall be appointed by the President for a term of two (2) years, who may be reappointed for another term. The five (5) Private Sector Representatives shall likewise be appointed by the President.

The NCC shall meet once every two (2) months or whenever the Chairperson shall convene the same.

SECTION 4. Powers and Functions. The NCC shall have the following functions:

- a) Serve as the primary collection point of investor issues that need to be addressed in order to improve international competitiveness in the industry, services, and agricultural sectors;
- b) Advise the President on policy matters affecting the competitiveness of the business sector;
- c) Provide inputs to the PDP, Philippine Investments Priority Plan (PIPP), and the Philippine Exports Priority Plan (PEPP);
- d) Coordinate, monitor, and ensure the implementation of key policy improvement processes identified as being closely associated with international competitiveness;
- e) Recommend to Congress, through the Economic Development Cluster, proposed legislations that may contribute to competitiveness;
- f) Coordinate with the Local Government Units (LGUs), through the local government leagues, to ensure that the policies and standards, plans and budgets of LGUs are supportive of the thrusts of the Action Agenda;
- g) Coordinate with concerned agencies for the generation of resources, both governmental and non-governmental, local, national and international, as may be appropriate, in support of the Action Agenda;
- h) Act as the primary body that will strategize and execute steps to improve the country's international competitiveness ranking;
- i) Perform such other powers and functions as may be necessary or as may be assigned by the President.

SECTION 5. Secretariat. The Department of Trade and Industry-Center for Industrial Competitiveness (DTI-CIC) shall serve as the NCC Secretariat, to be headed by its Executive Director, with the support of a private sector staff headed by an Operations Director.

SECTION 6. Coordination. The NCC shall regularly coordinate with industry/trade associations and local and foreign chambers of commerce to ensure the competitiveness of Philippine industries. They may be invited as resource institutions by the NCC in carrying out its mandate.

SECTION 7. Funding. To carry out the provisions of this Order, the amount of Five Million Pesos (Php 5,000,000.00) is hereby allocated from the Contingent Fund of the Office of the President (OP) for the operating expenses of NCC. Thereafter, the annual budget of NCC shall be incorporated in the regular budget of the DTI, subject to existing accounting and auditing laws and procedures. The private sector shall provide funding for its own activities.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. Should any part of this Executive Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. All other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 3rd day of June, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 45
DESIGNATING THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AS THE COMPETITION AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Section 20, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State recognizes the indispensable role of the private sector, encourages private enterprise, and provides incentives to needed investments;

WHEREAS, Sections 13 and 19, Article XII of the 1987 Constitution provide that the State shall pursue a trade policy that serves the general welfare and utilizes all forms and arrangements of exchange on the basis of equality and reciprocity and shall regulate or prohibit monopolies when the public interest so requires;

WHEREAS, recent developments from the World Trade Organization (WTO), the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA), and the trade liberalization initiatives under the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum advocate competition in domestic and international trade;

WHEREAS, there is a need to promote competition and level the playing field in the market;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 4152 approved on 20 June 1964 vests upon the Secretary of Justice the duty *“to study all laws relating to trusts, monopolies and combinations, to draft such legislation as may be necessary to update or revise existing laws to enable the Government to deal more effectively with monopolistic practices and all forms of trusts and combination in restraint of trade or free competition and/or tending to bring about non-competitive prices of articles of prime necessity, to investigate all cases involving violations of such laws, and to initiate and take such preventive or remedial measures, including appropriate judicial proceedings to prevent or restrain monopolization and allied practices or activities of trust, monopolies and combinations”*;

WHEREAS, Act No. 3247 enacted on 1 December 1925 and Article 186 of the Revised Penal Code, as amended, both penalize monopolies and combinations in restraint of trade;

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice (DOJ) is the principal legal counsel and prosecution arm of the government under Section 3, Chapter 1, Title III, Book IV of Executive Order No. 292 (Administrative Code of 1987) and also the central authority for matters requiring international legal cooperation;

WHEREAS, the DOJ likewise serves as the principal agency mandated to enforce the rule of law and investigate and prosecute offenders; and,

WHEREAS, the President, under Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution; has the power and control over executive departments, bureaus and offices, as well as the continuing authority under existing laws to reorganize such executive departments, bureaus and agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Designation of Competition Authority. The DOJ is hereby designated as the Competition Authority with the following duties and responsibilities:

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- a. Investigate all cases involving violations of competition laws and prosecute violators to prevent, restrain and punish monopolization, cartels and combinations in restraint of trade;
 - b. Enforce competition policies and laws to protect consumers from abusive, fraudulent, or harmful corrupt business practices;
 - c. Supervise competition in markets by ensuring that prohibitions and requirements of competition laws are adhered to, and to this end, call on other government agencies and/or entities for submission of reports and provision for assistance;
 - d. Monitor and implement measures to promote transparency and accountability in markets;
 - e. Prepare, publish and disseminate studies and reports on competition to inform and guide the industry and consumers; and
 - f. Promote international cooperation and strengthen Philippine trade relations with other countries, economies, and institutions in trade agreements.

SECTION 2. Office for Competition. There is hereby created the Office for Competition under the Office of the Secretary of Justice to carry out the duties and responsibilities set forth in Section 1. The Office shall be manned by such number of staff including legal and technical experts, consultants and resource persons to effectively and efficiently pursue its mandate. The Secretary of Justice shall designate the Chief/Head and members of the said Office.

SECTION 3. Funding. To carry out the provisions of this Order, initial funds for the operations of the Office for Competition shall be taken from the available funds of the DOJ. Thereafter, such amount as may be deemed necessary for the annual operations of said Office, shall be incorporated and included in the annual budgetary appropriations of the DOJ.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or part thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 9th day of June, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 46
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8 (S. 1998), AS AMENDED,
TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN AND REORGANIZE THE PRESIDENTIAL
ANTI-ORGANIZED CRIME COMMISSION

WHEREAS, a steadfast, strong-minded and unwavering campaign to eradicate organized crime along with the graft and corruption it breeds are among the priorities of this Administration.

WHEREAS, the reorganization and strengthening of the Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission (PAOCC) is imperative to substantiate and generate results in the fight to eliminate corrupt practices and

WHEREAS, the Revised Administrative Code of 1987 empowers the President with the continuing authority to reorganize the Executive Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 799 (s. 2009) is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. COMPOSITION. The Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission (PAOCC) shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson:	Executive Secretary
Members:	Secretary of the Interior and Local Government
	Secretary of Justice
	Secretary of National Defense
	Secretary of Foreign Affairs
	National Security Adviser
	Chief of Staff, Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP)
	Director General, Philippine National Police (PNP)
	Director General, National Intelligence Coordinating Agency (NICA)
	Director, National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)
	Executive Director, Philippine Center for Transnational Crime (PCTA)

SECTION 2. Section 3 of Executive Order No. 295 (s. 2000) is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 3. POWERS AND FUNCTIONS. The PAOCC shall have the following powers and functions.

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- a. Prepare and implement a fast track anti-crime, anti-graft and corruption action plan and program, and adopt appropriate measures to ensure an effective and efficient anti-crime drive;
 - b. Conduct intelligence and counter-intelligence operations to identify government officials and employees, crime syndicates and their cohorts who are involved in criminal activities;
 - c. Cause or direct the immediate arrest, investigation and speedy prosecution of organized crime groups/syndicates, government officials and employees and co-principals, accomplices and accessories, with due regard to legal and constitutional processes.
 - d. Refer the cases at hand, as the PAOCC may deem proper and necessary, to the Department of Justice (DOJ), and/or other appropriate law enforcement agencies for investigation or prosecution as the case may be
 - e. Follow up the progress of on-going investigation and prosecution of cases taken cognizance by PAOCC
 - f. Recommended the passage of appropriate anti-crime issuances and legislation;
 - g. Select and recruit personnel from PNP, the DOJ and other government agencies for assignment to the PAOCC, subject to the conformity of the agency concerned;
 - h. Enlist the assistance of any department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the Government including government owned and/or controlled corporations, in the anti-crime and anti-graft and corruption drive which may include the use of their respective personnel facilities and resources for a more resolute prevention, detection and investigation of crimes and prosecution of their perpetrators.
 - i. Subject to existing laws, grant monetary rewards or incentives to informants giving information leading to the successful prosecution of criminal offenders and corrupt government officials.
 - j. Coordinate with the Witness Protection Security and Benefit Program Committee of the DOJ to evaluate and assess witnesses who may qualify under the provisions of Republic Act No. 6981 otherwise known as the Witness Protection and Benefit Act.
 - k. Authorize access to documents installations and facilities in pursuit of specific crime investigations over government offices, agencies and/or government owned/or control corporations;
 - l. Refer cases involving alleged proceeds and gains of a crime to other agencies for purposes of initiating forfeiture and seizure proceedings in accordance with law;
 - m. Engage or contract the services of resource persons professionals and other personnel deemed necessary to carry out PAOCC's mandate.
 - n. Establish mechanisms for cooperation and joint operations with international law enforcement agencies as well as other States and International organizations in accordance with law; and
 - o. Perform such other functions as may be directed by the President."

SECTION 3. Section 4 of Executive Order No. 295 (s. 2000) is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 4. OFFENCES COVERED the PAOCC shall have the authority to take cognizance of the following crimes:

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- a. Those committed by organized/syndicated crime groups including but not limited to drug trafficking, human trafficking, carnaping, gunrunning, robbery/hold-up, kidnapping for ransom, smuggling, and transnational crimes.
 - b. Those considered and punished as heinous crimes under Republic Act No. 7659 (Heinous Crime Law).
 - c. Those committed by the members of the PNP and/or the AFP;
 - d. Those committed by any government official or employee, including those from government offices, agencies and/or instrumentalities, and government-owned and controlled corporations;
 - e. Such other criminal offences as the President may determine from time to time.

An organized/syndicated crime group for purposes of this Executive Order means a group of two or more persons collaborating, confederating or mutually helping one another in the commission of any crime”

SECTION 4. Agencies Assistance. In the performance of its functions, the PAOCC and its Special Project Groups may call for assistance from any government agency and instrumentality, including local governments.

SECTION 5. Funding. The PAOCC budget shall be drawn from the remaining budget of the PAOCC under the Office of the President for the current year, subject to existing and applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 6. Implementing Rules. The PAOCC Chairperson is hereby authorized to issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this Executive Order.

SECTION 7. Abolition of the Presidential Task Force on the Security of Energy Facilities and Enforcement of Energy Laws and Standards. The Presidential Task Force on the Security of Energy Facilities and Enforcement of Energy Laws and Standards (PTF-SEFEELS) created under the PAOCC through Executive Order No. 655 (s. 2007) is hereby abolished.

The winding up of the operations of PTF-SEFEELS, including the final disposition of all their funds, assets and equipment, shall be in accordance with the applicable provision(s) of the Rules and Regulations Implementing Executive Order No. 72 (s. 2002) (*Rationalizing the Agencies Under or Attached to the Office of the President*). The winding up shall be done immediately upon the issuance of this Executive Order completed or not later than 15 June 2011.

SECTION 8. Non-diminution of Mandates. Nothing in this Executive Order shall diminish the mandates, functions and responsibilities of all concerned agencies.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. All orders, circulars, rules, regulations and/or issuance/s, or parts hereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order shall be held unconstitutional, the remainder not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 13th day of June, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 46: Amending Executive Order No. 8 (s. 1998), as amended to further strengthen and reorganize the Presidential Anti-Organized Crime Commission*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 47

REORGANIZING, RENAMING AND TRANSFERRING THE COMMISSION ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AND ITS ATTACHED AGENCIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, DIRECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the development of information and communications technology (ICT) is crucial to the country's global competitiveness;

WHEREAS, while our country has enjoyed the major share of the global ICT outsourcing business, its long-term sustainability hinges on our ability to innovate on ICT solutions and facilities which is crucial to our ICT industry's competitiveness in a dynamic global market;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Information and Communications Technology (CICT) established under Executive Order No. 269 (s. 2004) acts as the executive arm in promoting, developing and regulating integrated and strategic ICT systems and reliable and cost-efficient communication facilities and services;

WHEREAS, the CICT, under the Office of the President, has direct supervision and control over the National Computer Center (NCC) and the Telecommunications Office (TELOF) by virtue of Executive Order Nos. 269 (s. 2004) and 780 (s. 2009) as amended, respectively;

WHEREAS, the transfer and reorientation of the functions of CICT and its attached agencies to the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) will strengthen the alignment of ICT development with the thrust of the department to provide continuing innovation as the core of the sustained global competitiveness of our country's ICT industry; and

WHEREAS, the President, under Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution, has the power and control over executive departments, bureaus and offices, as well as the continuing authority under existing laws to reorganize such executive departments, bureaus and agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reorganizing, Renaming and Transferring the CICT to DOST. The CICT is hereby renamed the Information and Communications Technology Office (ICTO) and is hereby placed under the policy, technical and administrative supervision of DOST. The ICTO shall be headed by an Executive Director, with the rank of an Undersecretary, who shall report directly to the DOST Secretary. The positions of Chairman and Commissioners of the CICT are hereby abolished.

SECTION 2. Functions. The ICTO shall perform the following functions:

- a) Formulate, recommend and implement an appropriate policy and program framework that will promote the rapid development and improved global competitiveness of our country's information and communications technology industry through research and development and through effective linkages to industry;

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- b) Ensure the provision of efficient and effective information and communications technology infrastructure, information systems and resources to support efficient, effective, transparent and accountable governance and, in particular, support the speedy and efficient enforcement of rules and delivery of accessible public services to the people;
 - c) Conduct continuing research and development in partnership with the academe towards improving the quality of ICT education and the production of globally competitive ICT manpower;
 - d) Build the capacities of public sector institutions and their personnel in the use of ICT to improve planning, management, delivery of mission, critical functions and monitoring and evaluation;
 - e) Formulate the Government Information System Plan and administer the E-Governance Fund; and,
 - f) Perform such other related functions as may be assigned.

SECTION 3. Transfer of the NCC and the TELOF to DOST. The NCC and the TELOF are hereby transferred to DOST and will form part of the internal structure of the ICTO.

SECTION 4. Retention of Other Agencies under the Office of the President. The National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) and the Philippine Postal Corporation (PHILPOST) shall continue to be under the Office of the President.

SECTION 5. Preparation and Approval of Rationalization Plan. The DOST Secretary is hereby directed to submit to the Office of the President within three (3) months upon the effectivity of this Order, a rationalization plan which will:

- a) Prepare a medium-term development plan for ICT research and development and its linkages to the ICT industry, and a medium-term e-governance infrastructure and information systems plan in order to support improvements in the global competitiveness of our country's economy;
- b) Based on the medium-term plans, define the appropriate internal structure and functional configuration as well as the staffing pattern of the ICTO, considering its redefined functions and the integration of the NCC and TELOF into it;
- c) Reconfigure the appropriations and all other funding sources of the CICT, NCC and TELOF into an efficient budget that will support the implementation of the medium-term plans and the new organizational structure; and,
- d) Provide safety nets, including retaining, redeployment, retirement and other appropriate services and benefits to all affected personnel in accordance with civil service and other relevant laws and generally build the capacities of the ICTO manpower.

SECTION 6. Continuity of Operations Pending the Approval of the Rationalization Plan. Pending the submission and approval of the rationalization plan, all personnel whose functions are not otherwise abolished under this order shall continue to perform functions as may be assigned by the DOST Secretary.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 23th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 47: Reorganizing, renaming and transferring the Commission on Information and Communications Technology and its attached agencies to the Department of Science and Technology, directing the implementation thereof and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 48

STREAMLINING THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT-PHILIPPINES THEREBY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 4 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 849 (S. 2009), ENTITLED “AUTHORIZING THE ORGANIZATION OF THE MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT-PHILIPPINES AS A SUBSIDIARY OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES MANAGEMENT CORPORATION TO FUNCTION AS THE ACCOUNTABLE ENTITY OR CENTRAL POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT COMPACT ASSISTANCE TO THE PHILIPPINES AND SETTING GENERAL GUIDELINES THEREFOR”

WHEREAS, on 23 September 2010, the Millennium Challenge Compact Between the United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), and the Republic of the Philippines (the Compact) was entered into by both parties;

WHEREAS, as a requisite for entering into a Compact, a Compact-eligible country must identify and designate a legal entity which shall be accountable for projects to be funded by MCC, in accordance with the MCC Guidelines for Accountable Entities and Implementation Structures (MCC Guidelines);

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 849 (s. 2009) authorized the organization of the Millennium Challenge Account-Philippines (MCA-Philippines) to function as such Accountable Entity;

WHEREAS, Section 3.2.C of the MCC Guidelines provides that the composition of the Board of the Accountable Entity should be large enough to include a multitude of interests within a country and small enough to function efficiently which should ideally be at the lower range of five (5) to eleven (11) members;

WHEREAS, the current MCA-Philippines Board of Trustees, established pursuant to EO No. 849, is composed of thirteen (13) voting members and three (3) non-voting members; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to rationalize and streamline the composition of the MCA-Philippines Board of Trustees in accordance with the MCC Guidelines for a more efficient performance of its functions and responsibilities under the Compact.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Amending Section 3 of EO No. 849. Section 3 of EO No. 849 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“**Section 3. Voting Members** – The Board shall be composed of nine (9) voting members from the Government serving in *ex officio* capacity and from the non-government sector, as indicated hereunder:

- 3.1 The Secretary of Finance or his/her representative Undersecretary;
- 3.2 The Secretary of Budget and Management or his/her representative Undersecretary;
- 3.3 The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development or his/her representative Undersecretary;
- 3.4 The Secretary of Public Works and Highways or his/her representative Undersecretary;
- 3.5 The Managing Director, MCA-Philippines;
- 3.6 The President of the DBP; and
- 3.7 Three (3) Representatives from non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to be selected through a transparent process established by the Stakeholders Committee and agreed with MCC.”

SECTION 2. Amending Section 4 of EO No. 849. Section 4 of EO No 849 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“**Section 4. Non-Voting Members** – The Board shall have two (2) non-voting members who shall be nominees from the Stakeholders Committee and who shall assist in identifying implementation issues and in promoting transparency in the decision-making process of the Board.”

SECTION 3. Additional Section 8-A in EO No. 849. A new paragraph, which reads as follows, is hereby inserted as Section 8-A of EO No. 849:

“**Section 8-A. MCC Permanent Observer** – The individual designated by MCC as its representative to MCA-Philippines shall be a Permanent Observer of MCA-Philippines and shall have the right to (a) attend all meetings and participate in all deliberations of the members of MCA-Philippines and the Board of Trustees of MCA-Philippines, (b) receive a copy of notices of said meetings and materials provided to the members and trustees for and at said meetings, and (c) examine all the records or books of MCA-Philippines during office hours.”

SECTION 4. Amendment of Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws. MCA-Philippines shall undertake the necessary steps to ensure that its governing documents are consistent with the provisions of this Executive Order.

SECTION 5. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of July, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 48: Streamlining the composition of the board of trustees of the Millennium Challenge Account-Philippines thereby amending Sections 3 and 4 of Executive Order No. 849 (s 2009), entitled "Authorizing the Organization of the Millennium Challenge Account-Philippines as a subsidiary of the Development Bank of the Philippines Management Corporation to function as the accountable entity or central point of contact for the Millennium Challenge Account Compact Assistance to the Philippines and setting general guidelines therefor"*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 49

MANDATING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT DATED 04 JULY 2011, ENTITLED “TOWARDS THE CORDILLERA PEOPLE LIBERATION ARMY’S FINAL DISPOSITION OF ARMS AND FORCES AND ITS TRANSFORMATION INTO A POTENT SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND UNARMED FORCE” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Government and the Cordillera Peoples Liberation Army (CPLA) signed the Mount Data Peace Accord on 13 September 1986;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order (AO) No. 18 (s. 2001) mandated the integration of the CPLA members into the regular force of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) as officers, enlisted personnel and/or active auxiliaries of the Citizen Armed Force Geographical Units (CAFGU) and provided livelihood for them;

WHEREAS, on 04 July 2011, the Government and the Cordillera Bodong Administration (CBA), CPLA signed a Memorandum of Agreement entitled “Towards the CPLAs Final Disposition of Arms and Forces and its Transformation into a Potent Socio-Economic and Unarmed Force” (Closure Agreement);

WHEREAS, the Closure Agreement covers all the areas that AO No. 18 sought to achieve, in addition to putting closure to the Mount Data Peace Accord; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to streamline the operations of government with respect to the CBA and CPLA, promote coherence among government agencies in their relations with CBA and CPLA, and avoid duplication of efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Guidelines Implementing the Closure Agreement. The Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP) is hereby authorized to create guidelines to fully implement the Closure Agreement.

SECTION 2. Winding Down Process of AO No. 18 (s. 2001). The Department of National Defense (DND) and the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) are hereby directed to implement a winding down process and close the livelihood programs being implemented under AO No. 18 within six (6) months from the effectivity of this Executive Order. In relation thereto, the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (PAPP) is hereby directed to exercise primary oversight functions to oversee and monitor the effective and efficient winding down process of AO No. 18. For this purpose, the DND and the AFP may call upon any Government agency or office for such assistance as may be necessary in the implementation of the winding down activities.

SECTION 3. Assistance. All heads of departments, agencies, bureaus and offices, including government-owned and-controlled corporations, are hereby enjoined to render full assistance and cooperation to the OPAPP as may be required to carry out the Closure Agreement.

SECTION 4. Funding. The funding for the winding down process of the livelihood programs shall be sourced from the Payapa at Masaganang Pamayanan (PAMANA) funds.

SECTION 5. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 19th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 49: Mandating the implementation of the Memorandum of Agreement dated 04 July 2011, entitled "Towards the Cordillera People Liberation Army's final disposition of arms and forces and its transformation into a potent socio-economic and unarmed force" and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 50
ABOLITION OF THE PRESIDENTIAL TASK FORCE ON MINDANAO RIVER BASIN
REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFERRING ITS FUNCTIONS TO
REGULAR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

WHEREAS, the Administration has adopted a policy of streamlining the bureaucracy to promote good governance and to ensure economy and efficiency in government;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 753 (s. 2008) as amended, created the Presidential Task Force on Mindanao River Basin Rehabilitation and Development (PTFMRBRD);

WHEREAS, Section 1 of EO No 18 (s. 2010) declares as a policy of the government the enhancement of its institutional capacity to deliver or provide public goods and services in a more economical, efficient, ethical, effective, and accountable manner.

WHEREAS, the functions of the PTFMRBRD overlaps with other national government agencies that can in turn perform the said tasks in line with the government's policy of rationalizing and streamlining the bureaucracy;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 9996 or the Mindanao Development Authority Act of 2010, created the Mindanao Development Authority (MinDA), which is tasked to establish an effective institutional mechanism to address the need for a coordinated and integrated approach in the formulation and integration of a Mindanao-wide inter-regional development plans programs, and projects.

WHEREAS, the River Basin Control Office (RBCO) under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is mandated to implement EO No 818 (s. 2009) entitled. "*Declaring the RBCO under the DENR as the Lead Government Agency for the Integrated Planning, Management, Rehabilitation, and Development of the Country's River Basins*";

WHEREAS, RA No 10121, or the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010, created the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC), whose mandate to be implemented by the Office of Civil Defense (OCD), is to administer a comprehensive national civil defense and disaster risk reduction and management program; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Executive Branch of government

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law do hereby order

SECTION 1. Abolition of the PTFMRBRD. As part of the rationalization and streamlining of the government bureaucracy, the PTFMRBRD is hereby abolished and its tasks and functions are transferred to regular national government agencies

SECTION 2. Transfer of Tasks and Functions to Regular Government Agencies. The following tasks and functions of the PTFMRBRD are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the following national government agencies:

2.1 *MinDA*

- a. Coordinate the formulation, implementation, and finalization of the Mindanao River Basin (MRB) relief, rehabilitation, and long term development plan, also known as the Mindanao River Basin Management and Development Master Plan;
- b. Negotiate apply for receive and accept grants and donation of funds needed for the relief, rehabilitation and development of the areas affected by the disaster
- c. Decide on important interventions that need to be immediately implemented and acted upon;
- d. Spearhead and coordinate all actions to rehabilitate and develop the MRB affected areas; and
- e. Conduct resource mobilization activities, such as but not limited to:
 - i. Enjoining the concerned LGUs to pass ordinances appropriating local resources for identified interventions.
 - ii. Requesting funding from the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC);
 - iii. Ensuring inclusion of rehabilitation plans of regional line agencies in their annual operational plans and realign funds, if necessary;
 - iv. Conducting special Official Development Assistance (ODA) pledging sessions to be spearheaded by the Regional Development Council (RDC)/Regional Economic Development Planning Board (REDPB) and Regional Disaster Coordinating Councils of Region XII and the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao (ARMM); and
 - v. Enjoining Congress to include a special purpose fund for rehabilitation and development in the General Appropriations Act

2.2 *Department of Environment and Natural Resources-River Basin Control Office (DENR-RBCO)*

- a. Develop a MRB master plan and other technical plans in coordination with the MinDA and NDRRMC-OCD and
- b. Provide technical assistance in the formulation institutionalization and mobilization of appropriate river basin level organizations for the MRB that will be self-sustaining and will have a multi-sectoral composition in line with the Philippine Development Plan

2.3 *National Disaster Risk Reduction Management Council-Office of Civil Defense (NDRRMC-OCD)*

- a. Ensure that the MRB and the MRB Management and Development Master Plan are consistent with the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Plan and Framework, and
 - b. Identify and package relief rehabilitation and long term interventions for the MRB affected areas.
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The agencies concerned shall ensure the proper and efficient transfer of tasks and functions to ensure that existing rehabilitation and development projects shall not be affected. The existing personnel of the PTFMRBRD shall also cooperate with the national government agencies to which its tasks and functions are transferred for a smooth and orderly transition of existing projects and programs, and for the completion and finalization of the same.

SECTION 3. *Persons Who May Be Affected by the Abolition.* The personnel who may be affected by the abolition of the PTFMRBRD shall be allowed to avail of the benefits provided for under existing applicable laws

SECTION 4. *Winding-up of the Operations and Disposition of the Functions, Positions, Personnel, Assets and Liabilities of the PTFMRBRD.* The winding-up of the operations of the PTFMRBRD including the final disposition or transfer of its functions and existing projects and activities personnel assets and liabilities, as may be necessary shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Rules and Regulations Implementing EO No. 72 (s. of 2002) dated 15 March 2002 unless otherwise provided for herein.

The winding up shall be completed within three (3) months from the date of effectivity of this Order.

SECTION 5. *Separability Clause.* If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. *Repealing Clause.* All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. *Effectivity.* This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 28th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 50: Abolition of the Presidential Task Force on Mindanao River Basin Rehabilitation and Development and transferring its functions to regular government agencies*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 51

CREATING A SCREENING COMMITTEE TO SCREEN AND RECOMMEND TO THE PRESIDENT PERSONS WHO WILL BE APPOINTED AS OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE FOR THE OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL GOVERNOR, REGIONAL VICE GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY IN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO

WHEREAS, Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10153 synchronized the elections in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) with the national and local elections starting on the second (2nd) Monday of May 2013 and every three (3) years thereafter;

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the said, synchronization of elections, there is a need to appoint Officers-in-Charge (OICs) for the Office of the Regional Governor, Regional Vice Governor, and Members of the Regional Legislative Assembly, who shall perform the functions pertaining to the said offices until the officials duly elected in the May 2013 elections shall have qualified and assumed office; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of R.A. No. 10153 mandates the creation of a screening committee to screen and recommend persons to be appointed as OICs for the ARMM.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Screening Committee. Pursuant to Section 4 of R.A. No. 10153, a Screening Committee is hereby created with the following as members:

- a) Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG);
- b) Secretary, Department of National Defense (DND);
- c) Political Adviser, Office of the Political Adviser (OPA);
- d) One (1) Civil Society Representative to be appointed by the President; and
- e) One (1) Representative to be nominated from among, and by the five (5) governors and one (1) city mayor of ARMM.

SECTION 2. Organization of the Screening Committee. The DILG Secretary shall convene the Screening Committee (Committee) immediately upon effectivity of this Executive Order. The DILG Secretary shall preside at the opening session until a Chairman is elected by the Committee.

SECTION 3. The Secretariat. The President's Personnel Group Secretariat (PPGS) of the Presidential Management Staff (PMS) shall be the Secretariat of the Committee. The Office of the Presidential Adviser on Peace Process (OPAPP) and the DILG shall provide assistance to the Secretariat as may be required.

SECTION 4. Tasks and Functions. Pursuant to its mandate, the Screening Committee shall, within **thirty (30) days** from convening but not later than ten (10) days before 30 September 2011,

submit to the President, after due consultations with the Senate President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, a shortlist of at least three (3) nominees to every vacancy in the elective positions in the ARMM Regional Government.

SECTION 5. Qualifications of Applicant. No person shall be recommended as OIC unless he/she possesses the qualifications required by R.A. No. 6734 and R.A. No. 9054. In the determination of the qualifications of applicant, the Committee shall consider educational preparation, experience, performance, accomplishments, reputation for honesty, integrity, incorruptibility, irreproachable conduct, and fidelity to sound moral and ethical standards.

SECTION 6. Internal Rules. The Committee shall promulgate its own rules and regulations in the screening of applicants to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order and applicable laws.

SECTION 7. Funding. The funding requirements of the Committee shall be provided by the Office of the President.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 28th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 51: Creating a screening committee to screen and recommend to the president persons who will be appointed as Officers-in-Charge for the Office of the Regional Governor, Regional Vice Governor and members of the Regional Legislative Assembly in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 52

TEMPORARY WAIVER OF THE RECIPROCAL TARIFF TREATMENT ON CERTAIN ARTICLES TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA ON THE COMPENSATORY MEASURE IN RELATION TO THE DELAYED IMPLEMENTATION OF PHILIPPINE TARIFF CONCESSIONS UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON TRADE IN GOODS UNDER THE FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT ON COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC COOPERATION AMONG THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

WHEREAS, Paragraph 5 (b) (ii) of Annex 1 of the Agreement on Trade in Goods under the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Among the Governments of the Member Countries of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea (AKFTA TIG Agreement) stipulates that ASEAN 6, which includes the Philippines, shall eliminate tariffs on at least 90% of the tariff lines placed in the Normal Track not later than 01 January 2009. Executive Order (EO) No. 812 (s. 2009), which implements the said provision, took effect six (6) months behind schedule or on 07 July 2009;

WHEREAS, EO No. 638 (s. 2007) grants reciprocal tariff treatment to products in the Sensitive Track of Parties to the AKFTA TIG Agreement;

WHEREAS, during its meeting on 17 May 2011, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board approved the temporary waiver of reciprocal tariff treatment on certain articles as compensatory measure to the Republic of Korea;

WHEREAS, Note Verbale number 11 1953 dated 08 July 2011 issued by the Philippine Department of Foreign Affairs and Note Verbale number KPH 2011-093-P dated 14 July 2011 issued by the Embassy of the Republic of Korea shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments to implement the compensation package; and,

WHEREAS, Section 402 of Presidential Decree No. 1464 or the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, authorizes the President, upon the recommendation of NEDA, to modify import duties (including any necessary change in classification) and other import restrictions as are required or appropriate to carry out and promote foreign trade with other countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Rates of Import Duty. The articles specifically listed in the Annex hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be imposed the AKFTA rate in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article for a period of twelve (12) months. The AKFTA rates so indicated shall be accorded to imports coming from parties to the AKFTA TIG agreement subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as provided for in the said Agreement.

The nomenclature and the rates of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but replaced by the symbol “XXX” shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 2. Levy on Articles. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in the Annex which are entered and withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the AKFTA rates of duty for twelve (12) months, thereafter, the reciprocal tariff treatment provided under EO No. 638 shall apply.

SECTION 3. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 52: Temporary waiver of the Reciprocal Tariff Treatment on certain articles to implement the agreement between the Republic of the Philippines and the Republic of Korea on the compensatory measure in relation to the delayed implementation of Philippine tariff concessions under the agreement on trade in goods under the framework agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation among the governments of the member countries of the association of Southeast Asian Nations and the Republic of Korea*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 53
STRENGTHENING THE COMMITTEE FOR THE SPECIAL PROTECTION OF CHILDREN,
AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 275 (S. 1995)

WHEREAS, the protection of Filipino children remains to be a national concern in view of the growing complexity of child protection issues in the country and the continued increase in the number of cases of child neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation and discrimination;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (R.A.) No. 7610, otherwise known as the “Special Protection of Children Against Child Abuse, Exploitation and Discrimination Act”, remains as the principal and comprehensive law for the protection of children against abuse and exploitation;

WHEREAS, other child-related protection laws have been enacted criminalizing acts committed against children and providing added protection, such as R.A. No. 9231 (An Act Providing for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor), R.A. No. 9208 (The Anti-Trafficking in Persons Act of 2003), R.A. No. 9262 (Violence Against Women and Their Children Act), R.A. No. 9344 (The Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act), R.A. No. 9775 (Anti-Child Pornography Act of 2009), and R.A. No. 9255 (An Act Allowing Illegitimate Children to Use the Surname of their Father);

WHEREAS, these recent laws also established special bodies that will coordinate and monitor their implementation such as the Inter-Agency Council Against Trafficking (IACAT) under R.A. No. 9208, the Inter-Agency Committee on Violence Against Women and Their Children (IAC-VAWC) under R.A. No. 9262, the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Council (JJWC) under R.A. No. 9344, and the Inter-Agency Council Against Child Pornography (IAC-ACP) under R.A. No. 9775;

WHEREAS, the Committee for the Special Protection of Children (CSPC), an inter-agency body created through Executive Order No. 275 (s. 1995) acts indirectly as the coordinating body for the implementation of R.A. No. 7610 and is responsible for the assessment, monitoring and implementation of the State’s Policy to defend the right of children to assistance, including proper care, health and nutrition as well as special protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation and discrimination, and other conditions prejudicial to their development;

WHEREAS, it is extremely necessary to give importance to law enforcement as a crucial component of the overall approach to child protection; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to intensify efforts on timely and adequate investigation and prosecution of violations of the rights of children as well as provide protection and assistance to children victims throughout the legal and judicial process.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Role of the CSPC. The CSPC is hereby strengthened and reorganized to effectively function as the body principally responsible for coordinating and monitoring the investigation and prosecution of cases involving violations of R.A. No. 7610 and other child-related criminal laws.

The Committee shall also be responsible for formulating and monitoring the comprehensive program as stipulated in Article II, Section 4 of R.A. No. 7610.

SECTION 2. Coverage. The Committee shall cover and guarantee legal protection to the following:

- a. Physically abused children, including victims of cruelty and corporal punishment;
- b. Sexually abused children including child victims of related offenses under the Revised Penal Code (R.A. 3815), such as rape and other sexual assaults;
- c. Children in prostitution, including those in obscene exhibitions and indecent shows;
- d. Children trafficked within the contemplation of Article IV of R.A. No. 7610 and R.A. 9208;
- e. Child labor, including the worst forms of child labor;
- f. Children of indigenous peoples;
- g. Muslim children;
- h. Children in situations of armed conflict and those involved in armed conflict;
- i. Abandoned children, as defined under R.A. No. 9523;
- j. Neglected children;
- k. Other children who have experienced abuse, exploitation and discrimination under R.A. No. 7610; and
- l. Such other categories of children as may require the Committee's assistance.

The Committee shall give preferential attention to violent crimes committed against children, cases with great impact on national interest and those referred to it for immediate action.

SECTION 3. Composition. The Committee shall be chaired by the Secretary of Justice and co-chaired by the Secretary of Social Welfare and Development, with the following as members:

- a. Chairperson of the Commission on Human Rights;
- b. Secretary of Foreign Affairs;
- c. Secretary of Labor and Employment;
- d. Secretary of Tourism;
- e. Secretary of the Interior and Local Government;
- f. Secretary of Health;
- g. Secretary of Education;
- h. Commissioner of Immigration;
- i. Director of the National Bureau of Investigation;
- j. Chief of the Philippine National Police;
- k. Prosecutor General; and
- l. Three (3) representatives of non-government or private organizations working and/or advocating for the protection of children.

The three (3) representatives of non-government or private organizations shall be nominated by any member of the Committee and appointed by the Chairperson, for a term of three (3) years, which appointment may be renewed upon re-nomination by the Committee and re-appointment of the Chairperson.

The Secretariat of the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) shall act as the Secretariat of the Committee.

SECTION 4. Functions and Duties. The Committee shall have the following responsibilities:

- a. Establish a system of collecting periodic reports from member agencies on cases filed before them including the status of such cases;
- b. Request member agencies and other government instrumentalities to address specific issues brought to the Committee's attention that require immediate action;
- c. Coordinate with other inter-agency councils and other similar structures and mechanisms for synchronization and harmonization of actions on the legal protection of children;
- d. Develop and/or recommend policies and guidelines to address gaps and issues identified in the investigation and prosecution of cases as well as in the legal protection of children;
- e. Formulate a uniform protocol for capacity-building of duty bearers and other stakeholders with emphasis on multi-disciplinary approach;
- f. Call upon non-member agencies for assistance when necessary in the exercise of its functions and duties;
- g. Submit to the Office of the President an annual report of its accomplishments; and
- h. Perform such other functions and duties as may be necessary to meet the objectives of this Order.

SECTION 5. Repeal. All orders, circular, memoranda, rules, regulations and other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability. If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this **11th** day of **August**, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 53: Strengthening the committee for the Special Protection of Children, amending for this purpose Executive Order No. 275 (s. 1995)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 54

**TRANSFERRING THE PITC PHARMA, INC. TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND
INDUSTRY FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR POLICY AND PROGRAM
COORDINATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the PITC Pharma, Inc. (PPI) is a Government-Owned and Controlled Corporation (GOCC) incorporated and existing pursuant to Batas Pambansa Bilang 68, otherwise known as the Corporation Code of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, sixty percent of PPI's outstanding capital stock is owned by the Philippine International Trading Corporation (PITC), while forty percent thereof is owned by the National Development Company (NDC);

WHEREAS, PITC and NDC are both GOCCs attached to the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI);

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order (EO) No. 649 (s. 2007), as amended by EO No. 649-A (s. 2008), the PPI was transferred to the Department of Health (DOH) and the Secretary of Health was designated as *ex officio* Chairperson of the Board of Directors of PPI;

WHEREAS, there is a need to place PPI under the DTI to improve policy and program coordination relative to the Government's procurement and importation of drugs and medicines under Republic Act (RA) No. 9502, otherwise known as the Universally Accessible Cheaper and Quality Medicines Act of 2008 and to harmonize the administrative relationships among DTI, PITC, NDC and PPI; and,

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Transfer of PPI from DOH to DTI. The PPI shall be transferred from DOH to DTI to improve policy and program coordination relative to the Government's procurement and importation of drugs and medicines under RA 9502.

SECTION 2. Repealing Clause. All executive issuances or portions thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 4. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 54: Transferring the Pitc Pharma, Inc. to the Department of Trade and Industry from the Department of Health for policy and program coordination and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 55
DIRECTING THE INTEGRATION AND AUTOMATION OF GOVERNMENT
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to adopt and implement full public disclosure if all its transactions involving public interest and recognize the right of the people to information on matter of public concern as embodied under Section 28, Article II and Section 7, Article III of the 1987 Constitution;

WHEREAS, the present administration subscribes to the emerging global thrust towards open government and greater budget transparency and accords the highest priority to public sector initiatives that promote transparency, accountability and good governance as contained in the President's Social Contract with the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, the development of a government integrated financial management information systems (GIFMIS) will facilitate the generation of vital information on any and all aspects of government financial transactions that can be made accessible to the public through information technology, subject to existing laws, and greater participation of civil society organizations in fiscal governance, as well as the effective and efficient delivery of public services;

WHEREAS, the said integrated system will, among others, allow greater financial management and control at the oversight and agency levels, ensure stricter compliance of the budget to appropriation laws and corresponding rules and regulations, significantly improve Treasury cash management, and facilitate keeping of general accounts of government and management reporting at various levels of government;

WHEREAS, in recognition of the critical need for such system in the government, a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was entered into by and among the key oversight agencies of the government namely, the Commission on Audit (COA), Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr) / Department of Finance (DOF) which created the Steering Committee on Cooperation to Foster the Development of a GIFMIS and implement a Public Financial Management (PFM) Reforms Roadmap;

WHEREAS, the GIFMIS Committee has already developed the broad strategies as embodied in a PFM Reforms Roadmap and started to draw up preliminary action plans for the implementation of PFM reforms in the government; and,

WHEREAS, the GIFMIS Committee, which is tasked not only to undertake development of GIFMIS but also to implement the PFM Reforms Roadmap as well as to operationalize a Treasury Single Account (TSA), shall be more aptly called and hereinafter referred to as the PFM Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Automation of the Financial Management Systems of the Key Oversight Agencies. The financial management systems of the three (3) key oversight agencies, i.e., COA, DBM

and DOE, shall be automated to the extent necessary and feasible and fully integrated to serve as the backbone of the financial reporting system of the government.

SECTION 2. Deliverables of the PFM Committee. The PFM Committee shall carry out all necessary activities for the completion and installation of the following PFM systems within the term of the current administration:

- a) The GIFMIS which shall enable real-time, online accounting, monitoring and control of obligations and disbursements and their direct links to cash management for more effective financial control and accountability;
- b) A TSA that provides BTr a more effective way of cash management and rationalizing agency bank accounts, a more economical system for cash disbursements which will remove revenue and expenditure floats, and a more efficient reconciliation of bank balances;
- c) An efficient budget release system with predictable and streamlined allotment and cash release programs throughout the year to support the operations of implementing agencies based on reliable cash forecasting and programming by DBM and BTr;
- d) Regular in-year reporting system on the status of budget execution, and timely year-end audit reporting of agency financial and physical operations which will be used in the budget preparation process, the Congressional debate on agency budgets and performance, and the public's participation in the budget process; and,
- e) Systematic recording and reporting of all liabilities of government entities including real and contingent liabilities to enable national government to manage its financial exposure.

SECTION 3. Authority and Functions of the PFM Committee. The PFM Committee shall have the following authority and functions:

- a) Devise a five-year plan for the development and implementation of an integrated financial management information system that links national government agencies with the COA, DBM and BTr to enable the generation of comprehensive, accurate, reliable and timely consolidated financial status reports for the oversight and the implementing agencies;
- b) Oversee, coordinate and develop integration, simplification and harmonization of the government's financial management processes and information systems that shall cover all transactions of government in a phased and systematic manner, and which shall apply uniformly to all government oversight and implementing agencies to generate reliable and accurate reports in a timely manner;
- c) Develop and oversee the implementation of the Philippine PFM Reforms Roadmap;
- d) Shepherd and champion the passage of supporting legislation needed in Congress;
- e) Coordinate budgetary and donor funding to support PFM reform efforts and the GIFMIS;
- f) Provide a comprehensive report every six (6) months on all project milestone activities and its findings and recommendations to the Office of the President through the Development Budget Coordination Committee (DBCC); and,
- g) Issue the necessary implementing policies, mechanisms and procedures to carry out the mandate of the PFM Committee.

SECTION 4. Coverage. All departments, bureaus, offices or agencies of the national government, shall give full support and collaborate with the PFM Committee for the smooth and

successful formulation and implementation of the PFM reforms, especially the TSA and the GIFMIS projects.

SECTION 5. Funding. The PFM Committee shall develop a multi-year expenditure plan for the implementation of the PFM Reforms Roadmap, TSA and GIFMIS. The DBM is hereby authorized to provide funds for the requirements of the projects.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 55: Directing the integration and automation of government financial management systems*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 56

AUTHORIZING THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE TO ORDER THE OPENING OF INCOME TAX RETURNS OF SPECIFIC TAXPAYERS FOR INSPECTION TO EFFECTIVELY IMPLEMENT REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 10021, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON TAX MATTERS ACT OF 2009”

WHEREAS, it is declared as the policy of the State to promote and pursue a tax environment that contributes in sustaining favorable international investment climate and instills confidence in the adequacy and capacity of the country’s tax administration to comply with its commitments under existing international conventions or agreements on tax matters;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 10021, otherwise known as the “Exchange of Information on Tax Matters Act of 2009” was enacted on 8 March 2010 in order for the government to comply with or commit to the internationally-agreed tax standards required for the exchange of tax information with its tax treaty partners to help combat international tax evasion and avoidance and to help address tax concerns that affect international trade and investment;

WHEREAS, Section 4 of RA No. 10021 amended Section 71 of RA No. 8424, otherwise known as the “National Internal Revenue Code of 1997,” by providing that income tax returns of specific taxpayers subject of a request for exchange of information by a foreign tax authority pursuant to an international convention or agreement on tax matters to which the Philippines is a signatory or a party thereof, shall be open to inspection upon order of the President subject to rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Finance, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue;

WHEREAS, with the enactment and approval of RA No. 10021, the government expects to receive numerous requests for exchange of information from foreign tax authorities involving, *inter alia*, income tax returns of specific taxpayers;

WHEREAS, under the doctrine of qualified political agency, except in cases when the President is required by the Constitution or law to act personally or the exigencies of the situation demand that he acts personally, the multifarious executive and administrative functions of the President are performed by and through the executive departments, and the acts of the Secretaries of such departments, performed and promulgated in the regular course of business, are presumptively the acts of the President;

WHEREAS, RA No. 10021 does not require that the order to open for inspection of the income tax returns or specific taxpayers subject of a request for exchange of information by a foreign tax authority be done personally by the President; and,

WHEREAS, to efficiently carry out the purposes and objectives of RA No. 10021 and in order for the President to attend to more urgent and pressing concerns of the nation, there is a need to delegate to the Secretary of Finance the authority to order the opening for inspection of the income tax returns of specific taxpayers subject of a request for exchange of information by a foreign tax authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Delegated Authority. The authority to order the opening for inspection of the income tax returns of specific taxpayers subject of a request for exchange of information by a foreign tax authority pursuant to an international convention or agreement on tax matters to which the Philippines is a signatory or party thereof, is hereby delegated to the Secretary of Finance.

SECTION 2. Issuance of Rules. The specific rules and regulations that shall govern the opening for inspection of income tax returns of specific taxpayers subject of a request for exchange of information by a foreign tax authority shall be issued by the Secretary of Finance, upon the recommendation of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

SECTION 3. Use and Confidentiality. Any information received by a foreign tax authority as a result of the opening for inspection of the income tax returns of specific taxpayers subject of its request shall be treated by the authority as absolutely confidential in nature in the same manner as information obtained by the latter under its laws and regulations and shall be disclosed only to persons or authorities, including courts and administrative bodies, involved in the assessment or collection of, the enforcement or prosecution in respect of, or the determination of appeals in relation to, the taxes covered by such conventions or agreements.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 56: Authorizing the Secretary of Finance to order the opening of income tax returns of specific taxpayers for inspection to effectively implement Republic Act Number 10021, otherwise known as the "Exchange of Information on Tax Matters Act of 2009"*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 57
ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL COAST WATCH SYSTEM, PROVIDING FOR ITS
STRUCTURE AND DEFINING THE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBER
AGENCIES IN PROVIDING COORDINATED INTER-AGENCY MARITIME
SECURITY OPERATIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to safeguard national sovereignty, territorial integrity, national interest, and the right to self-determination;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, as an archipelagic State, asserts its sovereignty and sovereign rights as stated under Republic Act (RA) No. 9522, otherwise known as the “Philippine Baselines Law” and the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS) of 1982;

WHEREAS, the Philippines faces serious maritime security challenges threatening not only its territorial integrity but the peaceful existence of the Filipinos and their inherent rights to be free from such threats as piracy, armed robbery, terrorism, proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, trafficking in persons, drugs and firearms trafficking, smuggling, illegal fishing, transnational crimes, national disasters, climate change, and marine environment degradation;

WHEREAS, there is pressing need for the government to address maritime security challenges in the Philippines, particularly those that adversely affected peace and order in the area, and posed a danger to the environment and the national patrimony, among others;

WHEREAS, under the Administrative Code of 1987, the Philippine Navy is designated as the major service of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) responsible for naval defense of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, pursuant to RA No. 9993, otherwise known as the “Philippine Coast Guard Law of 2009,” the Philippine Coast Guard is mandated, among others, to ensure maritime safety, safety of navigation, enforcement and maintenance of maritime security, prevention or suppression of terrorism at sea, and the performance of enforcement functions within the maritime jurisdiction of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Navy forged the establishment of an infrastructure for a national coast watch system, the Coast Watch South, which has the primary objective of providing maritime domain awareness in support of security operations in Southern Philippines;

WHEREAS, international and regional cooperation in maritime security enables the Philippines to develop needed capabilities at a faster pace;

WHEREAS, enhancing maritime security in the seas that link our country with other neighboring States promotes our national interest;

WHEREAS, government agencies have complementing programs and activities which can be integrated into a national coast watch system towards enhancing maritime domain and security awareness;

WHEREAS, it is imperative for the government to integrate and strengthen its maritime security initiatives through effective inter-agency cooperation, collaboration, and coordination to bring about efficient and effective maritime security policy; and,

WHEREAS, the President, under Section 17, Article VII of the Constitution, has the power and control over executive departments, bureaus and offices, as well as the continuing authority, under existing laws, to reorganize such executive departments, bureaus and agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Establishment of the National Coast Watch System. There is hereby established a National Coast Watch System (NCWS) as the central inter-agency mechanism for a coordinated and coherent approach on maritime issues and maritime security operations towards enhancing governance in the country's maritime domain.

SECTION 2. Establishment of the National Coast Watch Council. There is hereby established a National Coast Watch Council, hereinafter referred to as the "Council," which shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	:	Executive Secretary
Members	:	Secretary of Transportation and Communications
		Secretary of National Defense
		Secretary of Foreign Affairs
		Secretary of the Interior and Local Government
		Secretary of Justice
		Secretary of Energy
		Secretary of Finance
		Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources
		Secretary of Agriculture

The Council shall meet at least twice every year, and at such other times as the Chairperson may deem necessary or appropriate.

SECTION 3. Powers and Functions of the Council. The Council shall be the central inter-agency body which shall be in charge of formulating strategic direction and policy guidance for the NCWS. The Council shall further have the following powers and functions:

- a) Provide strategic direction and policy guidelines for NCWS maritime security operations, and multinational and cross-border cooperation on maritime security;
- b) Conduct periodic review of maritime security operations and render periodic reports to the President and the National Security Council (NSC);
- c) Recommend to the President policies and procedures in managing and securing the country's maritime domain, as well as the issuance of administrative rules and regulations to enhance maritime security in the Philippines;
- d) Harmonize capability plans and fund requirements relative to maritime security missions;
- e) Harmonize and coordinate the roles and relationships of different government agencies, pursuant to their mandates, relative to the policy direction of maritime security and governance framework as may be determined by the Council;

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- f) Convene or dissolve, as the need arises, inter-agency committees and/or working groups to assist the Council in the performance of its functions;
 - g) Exercise overall jurisdiction and direction over policy-formulation, implementation and coordination with other government agencies, experts and organizations, both foreign and local, on all maritime issues affecting the country;
 - h) Enlist and/or require the support and/or assistance of any department, bureau or agency of the government in the pursuit of its mandates and functions;
 - i) Promulgate rules and regulations as may be necessary for the Council to perform its mandate under this Executive Order; and
 - j) Perform such other functions as may be deemed necessary by the Chairperson for the effective discharge of its mandate or as may be directed by the President.

SECTION 4. The Coast Watch Council Secretariat. The Coast Watch Council Secretariat, hereinafter referred to as the “Secretariat,” is hereby established to provide technical and administrative support to the Council. The Secretariat shall also have the following functions:

- a) Provide consultative research and administrative services to the Council;
- b) Assist the Council in proposing and reviewing legislative and administrative issuances on maritime security;
- c) Assist inter-agency committees and working groups created by the Council in the performance of their respective mandates, including the provision of administrative, technical and secretariat support; and
- d) Perform such other functions and tasks as the Council may direct.

The Secretariat shall be headed by an Executive Director, who shall be appointed by the Chairperson, upon the recommendation of the Council. The Council shall determine the personnel requirements of the Secretariat in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 5. National Coast Watch Center. The National Coast Watch Center, hereinafter referred to as the “Center,” in accordance with the strategic direction and policy guidance issued by the Council, shall implement and coordinate maritime security operations. It shall further have the following functions:

- a) Gather, consolidate, synthesize and disseminate information relevant to maritime security;
 - b) Develop and maintain effective communications and information systems to enhance inter-agency coordination in maritime security operations;
 - c) Coordinate the conduct of maritime surveillance or response operations upon the request of a member agency or when an exigency arises;
 - d) Plan, coordinate, monitor, evaluate, document and report on the conduct of maritime security operations;
 - e) When so authorized by the Council, coordinate cross-border and multinational maritime security cooperation;
 - f) Coordinate support for the prosecution of apprehended violators;
 - g) Develop a common operating picture to enhance maritime situational awareness;
 - h) Conduct periodic assessments on maritime security;
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- i) When so authorized by the Council, and in coordination with the Department of Foreign Affairs, initiate cross-border and multinational maritime security cooperation; and
 - j) Perform such other functions as may be directed by the Council.

The Center shall be established in and headed by the Philippine Coast Guard (PCG).

SECTION 6. Support Agencies. Subject to such rules and regulations, which the Council shall promulgate, the following agencies shall provide manpower, equipment and material support to the Center and its operations:

- a) Philippine Navy;
- b) Philippine Coast Guard;
- c) Philippine National Police Maritime Group;
- d) National Prosecution Service of the Department of Justice;
- e) Bureau of Customs;
- f) Bureau of Immigration;
- g) National Bureau of Investigation;
- h) Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources; and
- i) Philippine Center on Transnational Crime.

The roles and responsibilities of each of the support agencies in the conduct of maritime security and enforcement operations shall be set forth in the rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Council.

All other government agencies are hereby directed to actively coordinate and cooperate with the Council and support the maritime security operations of the government. For this purpose, the Chairperson may call upon the heads of government agencies for assistance, as may be necessary.

SECTION 7. Abolition of the Commission on Maritime and Ocean Affairs. In line with the continuing efforts to streamline and rationalize the functions of government offices, the Commission on Maritime and Ocean Affairs (CMOA) created under Executive Order No. 612 (s. 2007), as amended, is hereby abolished. The mandate and functions of the CMOA shall now be performed by the Council.

SECTION 8. Non-Diminution of Mandates. Nothing in this Executive Order shall diminish the mandates, functions and responsibilities of the support agencies except under Section 7 hereof.

SECTION 9. Funding. The initial funding requirement of Twenty Million Pesos (Php 20,000,000.00) shall be sourced from the Special Account in the General Fund (SAGF) of the Department of Energy under Fund 151, to be released by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), subject to the submission of the Bureau of Treasury (BTr) Certification on the availability of deposited collections with the SAGF of the DOE and to existing laws and the usual government budgetary, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Thereafter, appropriations for the succeeding fiscal years shall be incorporated in the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 10. Authority to Accept Assistance and/or Donations. The Council and the Center are hereby authorized to accept donations, contributions, grants, bequests or gifts from domestic or foreign sources, for purposes relevant to their mandates and functions, in accordance with applicable laws and rules and subject to government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 11. Reports. The Council shall, within ninety (90) days from the issuance of this Executive Order, submit a report to the President on the implementation hereof. Thereafter, the

Council shall submit annual reports to the President on the operations of both the Council and the Center.

SECTION 12. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 13. Repealing Clause. With the exception of Proclamation No. 72 (s. 2001) and subject to Section 3 hereof, all issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 57: Establishing a National Coast Watch System, providing for its structure and defining the roles and responsibilities of member agencies in providing coordinated inter-agency maritime security operations and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 58

**MANDATING THE TRANSFER OF NAYONG PILIPINO FOUNDATION'S PASAY PROPERTY
TO THE MANILA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the Nayong Pilipino Foundation, Inc. (NPF) through Presidential Decree No. 37 (1972) was given a 45.9 hectare property located in Pasay City on a portion of which the Nayong Pilipino Cultural Park (NPF Park) was built;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 111 (S. 2002) authorized the transfer of 8.6 hectares of the NPF property to the Manila International Airport Authority (MIAA), and the closure of the NPF Park pending its redevelopment;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 135 (S. 2002) mandated the streamlining of the NPF, directing the abolition of all permanent positions and the termination of all casuals and contractuels while retaining a transition team to look for an alternative site for a new NPF park;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 615 (S. 2007) mandated the transfer of the old NPF Park to the 15-hectare property of the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA) in Parañaque City and the transfer of 15 hectares of NPF's Pasay property to the PRA;

WHEREAS, Section 7 (c) of Presidential Decree No. 37 (1972) provides that the parcel of land given to the NPF shall ipso facto revert to the National Government if the NPF is dissolved or ceases, for any reason, to undertake its objectives, or ceases to need the land for any reason;

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the State to promote and maintain a viable, efficient, dependable and safe air transportation system as an effective instrument for national recovery and economic progress;

WHEREAS, the MIAA needs the remaining 22.3 hectares of NPF land for the expansion of Terminal 2 to the north and the development of the New International Cargo Terminal Facility to support the operation of Terminal 3 to accommodate growth in the passenger and aircraft movement at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport; and

WHEREAS, Section 7(a) of Presidential Decree No. 37 (1972) provides that the land occupied by the NPF shall not be transferred to another person or entity without previous authorization by the President of the Philippines.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the Nayong Pilipino Foundation, Inc. to transfer its remaining land with an area of 22.3 hectares in Pasay City to the Manila International Airport Authority.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 29th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 58: Mandating the transfer of Nayong Pilipino Foundation's Pasay property to the Manila International Airport Authority*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 59

PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF EXECUTIVE ORDER (EO) NO. 309 (S. 2004) FOR THE INCLUSION OF *OTHER GRAINS* IN THE COVERAGE OF THE PHILIPPINE RICE POSTPRODUCTION CONSORTIUM (PRPC) AND CHANGING OF THE NAME OF PRPC INTO “PHILIPPINE GRAINS POSTPRODUCTION CONSORTIUM”

WHEREAS, the PRPC was created under the Department of Agriculture (DA) through EO No. 309 (s. 2004) with the National Food Authority (NFA), Philippine Rice Research Institute (PhilRice), University of the Philippines – Los Baños, Philippine Center for Postharvest and Extension (BPPE) (*now Philippine Center for Postharvest Development and Mechanization [PhilMech]*), and National Agricultural and Fishery Council (NAFC) as member institutions;

WHEREAS, the PRPC is an alliance of primary institutions in the Philippines which are mandated to address major issues and concerns on rice postproduction research, development and extension towards enhancing the development of the rice postproduction industry in the country;

WHEREAS, the member institutions of the consortium are individually mandated to implement postproduction programs on rice and other grains;

WHEREAS, the PRPC has already conducted six (6) annual national grains postproduction conferences and implemented other relevant projects and activities focused on grains, not only on rice;

WHEREAS, corn, soybeans, sorghum and other grains have gained economic importance in attaining food and feed sufficiency concerns of the country, and share similar postproduction technology, resources and other requirements with rice;

WHEREAS, the National Government through the DA is focusing on increasing production of grains, minimizing grains postproduction losses and ultimately increasing income of grains farmers;

WHEREAS, the PRPC Executive Committee recognizes the need to change the name of the PRPC into the Philippine Grains Postproduction Consortium (PGPC) and to expand its commodity coverage to include other grains;

NOW, THEREFORE, I BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Institutionalization. The Philippine Rice Postproduction Consortium (PRPC) is hereby renamed as the **Philippine Grains Postproduction Consortium (PGPC)** in order to address the major issues and concerns of the rice and other grains postproduction industry.

SECTION 2. Functions of PGPC. The PGPC shall identify, coordinate and pursue priority areas of collaboration among its member institutions, in the area of research and development and extension to enhance the development of the rice and other grains postproduction industry in the Philippines.

It shall likewise extend its collaboration with relevant government agencies, State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), Local Government Units (LGUs), and the private sector, including foreign counterpart or donor institutions.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All executive issuances or portions thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 30th day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 59: Providing for the amendment of Executive Order (EO) No. 309 (s. 2004) for the inclusion of other grains in the coverage of the Philippine Rice Postproduction Consortium (PRPC) and changing of the name of PRPC into "Philippine Grains Postproduction Consortium"*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 60
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER (EO) NO. 254 (S. 1995) AND REORGANIZING
THE PHILIPPINE GAS PROJECT TASK FORCE TO THE PHILIPPINE
UPSTREAM PETROLEUM TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to ensure continuous, adequate and economic supply of energy with the end-in-view of ultimately achieving self-reliance in the country's energy requirements through the integrated and intensive exploration, production, management and development of the country's indigenous energy resources;

WHEREAS, the development of indigenous petroleum resources is essential to the long-term stability of fuel and energy prices, as well as to national security and competitiveness;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Philippine government to promote the role of natural gas in the energy supply mix of the country by creating conditions for a Philippine gas industry that economically serves a broad variety of users, including power plants, industrial, commercial and residential users;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Gas Project Task Force (PGPTF) was established under Executive Order (EO) No. 254 (s. 1995) to pursue the development and utilization of the offshore Malampaya-Camago gas reserves by contractors under Service Contract No. 38;

WHEREAS, the development of the Malampaya Deep Water Gas-to-Power Project (the "Malampaya Project") commenced in 1999, and commercial operations commenced on 01 January 2002 for the supply of fuel to the Ilijan, Santa Rita and San Lorenzo power generation plants in Batangas with a total capacity of 2,700 MW;

WHEREAS, the Malampaya Project currently provides fuel for about 40% of the power generation capacity in Luzon and has generated more than US\$4 billion in revenues for the Government since it commenced commercial operations in 2002;

WHEREAS, the Malampaya Project requires additional investment to sustain the production levels of natural gas, including the drilling of additional wells (Malampaya Phase 2 for completion in 2013) and the installation of compression capacity (Malampaya Phase 3 for completion in 2015) with a total cost of more than US \$ 1 billion;

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the Philippine government that projects such as Malampaya Phases 2 and 3 are executed with no harm to people and the environment, with minimum disruption to the power supply of Luzon, and completed on time and within budget;

WHEREAS, there is a need for an ad hoc, multi-agency body that will ensure a unified and coordinated effort in support of exploration, development and utilization of the country's petroleum resources; and,

WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Executive Branch of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Composition. The PGPTF is hereby renamed as the Philippine Upstream Petroleum Task Force (PUPTF) and reorganized to be composed of the Secretary of the Department of Energy (DOE) as Chairperson, and as members, the heads of the following agencies or their duly designated alternates with the rank of Undersecretary or its equivalent rank:

- a) Office of the Executive Secretary (OES)
- b) Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC)
- c) Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
- d) Department of Finance (DOF)
- e) Department of Justice (DOJ)
- f) Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)
- g) Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA)
- h) Department of National Defense (DND)
- i) National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)
- j) Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC)
- k) Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD)
- l) Bureau of Customs (BOC)
- m) Bureau of Immigration (BI)
- n) National Quarantine Office (NQO)
- o) Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA)
- p) Philippine Coast Guard (PCG)
- q) Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP).

The PUPTF may create such inter-agency subcommittees as may be necessary to fulfill its mandate. Other relevant government agencies may be invited to join the PUPTF as the circumstances and exigencies may require. The PUPTF may also call upon any department, agency or instrumentality of the government for assistance.

The DOE shall provide the technical, administrative and secretariat support to the PUPTF.

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions. The PUPTF shall:

- a) Support the execution of petroleum operations such as the Malampaya Phases 2 and 3, by reviewing, simplifying, and streamlining the applicable rules, regulations and procedures including those affecting the efficient deployment of personnel, vessels, machinery, equipment, spare parts and materials to be used in petroleum operations;
 - b) Resolve inter-agency issues or issues raised by the petroleum service contractors, in relation to the monitoring and review of issues and concerns affecting or which may affect the timely and efficient implementation of petroleum service contracts, and to identify and/or formulate policy measures to address such issues and concerns;
 - c) Conduct studies to determine the appropriate options for the long-term markets of petroleum products and operations;
 - d) Conduct periodic public consultations with appropriate local government units (LGUs) and other concerned stakeholders and communities which may be affected by petroleum projects operations;
 - e) Prepare and submit a quarterly progress report for the President; and
 - f) Perform such other functions as may be necessary and incidental to attain the objectives of this Order.
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SECTION 3. Funding. The funding requirements to carry out the mandate of the PUPTF shall be sourced from the Special Account of the General Fund of the DOE under Fund 151 to be released by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) subject to certification by the Bureau of Treasury of the availability of funds and to government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 30th day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 60: Amending Executive Order (EO) No. 254 (s. 1995) and reorganizing the Philippine Gas Project Task Force to the Philippine Upstream Petroleum Task Force*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 61
MODIFYING THE NOMENCLATURE AND THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON VARIOUS
PRODUCTS UNDER SECTION 104 OF THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978
(PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464), AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the government's platform and policy pronouncements on the economy aim to stabilize the macroeconomic situation of the country by attaining a broad-based, inclusive, and sustainable growth in a peaceful society;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the government to create socio-economic conditions conducive to growth and competitiveness of Philippine industries that will stimulate economic development and generate, create and preserve employment opportunities;

WHEREAS, the government's commitment to achieve economic measures and policy guidelines consistent with the promotion of domestic industries and protection of consumer welfare warrants the recalibration of the tariff structure; and

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978 (Presidential Decree No. 1464), as amended, empowers the President to increase, reduce or remove existing rates of import duty, as well as to modify the tariff nomenclature.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Rates of Import Duty. The articles specifically listed in the Annex hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be subject to the Most-Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of import duty in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article.

SECTION 2. Levy on articles. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, the articles specifically listed in the aforesaid Annex which are entered and withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the MFN rates of import duty therein prescribed.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect thirty (30) days following its complete publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 17th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 61: Modifying the Nomenclature and the rates of import duty on various products under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978 (Presidential Decree No. 1464), as amended*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 62
TRANSFERRING THE LOCAL WATER UTILITIES ADMINISTRATION (LWUA) FROM
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH)

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 198, as amended, established LWUA which is currently attached to the Department of Health (DOH) by virtue of Executive Order (EO) No. 738 (s. 2008);

WHEREAS, there is a need for a concerted and well-coordinated effort in formulating policies as well as planning and implementing programs and projects for the water sector;

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS) was created by virtue of Republic Act No. 6234, as amended, and is currently attached to the DPWH by virtue of Executive Order No. 124 (s. 1987);

WHEREAS, DPWH is mandated to ensure that the planning, design, construction and maintenance of infrastructure facilities such as national highways, flood control and water resource development systems, are in accordance with the highest level of safety and efficiency and in line with the overall national development objectives;

WHEREAS, EO No. 279 (s. 2004) and EO No. 421 (s. 2005) provide that a representative from the DOF shall be one of the three National Government Trustees in the LWUA Board;

WHEREAS, DOH representation in the LWUA Board of Trustees is sufficient for continuing oversight on the water and sanitation sector with respect to health concerns; and,

WHEREAS, under Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Transfer of LWUA to DPWH. LWUA is hereby transferred from DOH to DPWH.

SECTION 2. Authority to Exercise Administrative Supervision. DPWH is hereby authorized to exercise administrative supervision over LWUA and shall continue to implement reforms, including but not limited to those established under EO No. 279 and EO No. 421, to ensure efficient flow of resources into the sector, thereby facilitating the implementation of projects therein.

SECTION 3. National Government Trustees. The Secretaries of Finance, Public Works and Highways, and Health, serving in *ex officio* capacity, shall sit as Members of the LWUA Board of Trustees representing the National Government. The foregoing *ex officio* members may designate their respective alternates who shall be officials next-in-rank, and whose acts shall be considered the acts of their principals. In no case shall the alternate be lower in rank than Assistant Secretary.

SECTION 4. Creation of an Inter-Agency Committee on the Water Sector. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways, as Lead, shall convene the Inter-Agency Committee on the Water Sector which is hereby tasked to design and recommend to the President a water sector master plan which

will effectively address all the issues and concerns of the water sector. The Committee shall likewise recommend to the President the appropriate organizational structure of all concerned agencies for the effective implementation of the water sector master plan.

The National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), the Office of the President (OP) and such other concerned agencies shall form part of the Inter-Agency Committee on the Water Sector.

SECTION 5. Rules and Regulations. DPWH, in consultation with the concerned agencies, shall formulate the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) for the effective implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. Repeal. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 26th day of October, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 62: Transferring the Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA) from the Department of Health to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 63
MISSING ISSUANCE

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 64

TRANSFERRING THE CLARK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CORPORATION (CIAC) FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS (DOTC), MAKING CIAC AN AGENCY ATTACHED TO THE DOTC, AND FURTHER TRANSFERRING THE SHARES OF STOCK OF CIAC

WHEREAS, CIAC was incorporated and registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) as a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Clark Development Corporation (CDC) pursuant to Executive Order No. (EO) 192 (s. 1994), with the primary purpose of operating and managing the Clark Civil Aviation Complex (CCAC);

WHEREAS, EO 360 (s. 1996) was issued making CIAC a subsidiary of the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA), consistent with the provisions of Republic Act No. (RA) 7227, as amended, otherwise known as the “*Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992*”;

WHEREAS, EO 7 (s. 2001), authorized the merger of CIAC and CDC, with CDC as the surviving corporation, in order that there will be effective and efficient coordination in pursuing their policies and operations;

WHEREAS, EO 186 (s. 2003) re-established CIAC as a subsidiary of the BCDA;

WHEREAS, EO 193 (s. 2003) repealed EO 186 (s. 2003), and established CIAC as a subsidiary of CDC;

WHEREAS, EO 341 (s. 2004) directed the Manila International Airport Authority (MIAA) to exercise administrative supervision and control over all international airports in the Philippines, including the Diosdado Macapagal International Airport (DMIA), which is within the CCAC;

WHEREAS, CIAC was transformed from a subsidiary of CDC to a subsidiary of BCDA and made subject to the policy supervision of DOTC under EO 716 (s. 2008);

WHEREAS, EO 716 further provides that CIAC shall exercise jurisdiction over CCAC, which is comprised of 2,200 hectares, as well as over the area of approximately 166.9 hectares within the Clark Industrial Estate 5 (IE5), which is bounded on the East by the East Perimeter Wall; on the West by the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEX) Interchange; and on the North by the SCTEX Logistics Interchange.

WHEREAS, the CCAC is envisioned to be the Philippines’ premier international airport;

WHEREAS, the DOTC is the primary policy, planning, programming, coordinating, implementing and administrative entity in the Executive Branch in charge of the promotion, development, and regulation of dependable and coordinated networks of transportation and communications system, as well as of the fast, safe, efficient and reliable postal, transportation and communications services;

WHEREAS, to ensure the continued development of the CCAC, there is a need to establish clear lines of authority and accountability by directing a specific cabinet office to exercise primary oversight functions over the same;

WHEREAS, in order for the DOTC to effectively oversee and monitor the development of the CCAC, there is a need to transfer administrative control and supervision over CIAC to the DOTC; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 grants the President the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Executive Branch.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. CIAC as an attached agency of the DOTC. CIAC is hereby attached to the DOTC which shall exercise administrative control and supervision over CIAC.

SECTION 2. Board of Directors. The powers and functions of the CIAC shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors to be composed of eleven (11) members, as follows:

Chairperson	:	Secretary of Transportation and Communications;
Vice Chairperson	:	Secretary of Tourism;
Members	:	General Manager, MIAA;
		Director General, Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP); and
		Seven (7) other members to be appointed by the President of the
		Philippines, upon consultation with the Secretary of Transportation
		and Communications, representing the equity in the capital stock
		of the National Government in CIAC, provided each one of them
		is a Filipino citizen, of good moral character, and of recognized
		competence in a relevant field, including, but not limited to civil
		aviation, economics, tourism, law or engineering; <i>Provided</i> , however,
		that the nomination and appointment of the seven (7) appointive
		directors shall comply with the provisions of RA 10149, otherwise
		known as the “GOCC Governance Act of 2011.”

SECTION 3. Transfer of Shares of Stock and Control Over Assets and Facilities. The BCDA, or the entity or persons in whose names the shares of stock of CIAC are registered at present, are hereby ordered to transfer and convey immediately to the National Government all the shares of stock of CIAC in order for the National Government to own and hold all such shares of stock as the registered stockholder of record and deliver all the shares in the name of the National Government to the Secretary of Transportation and Communications on behalf of the Republic of the Philippines; *Provided*, however, that any delay in the execution of such documents of transfer and conveyance of the shares of stock of the National Government shall not, in any event, delay, hinder or deter the immediate exercise of all powers of control and supervision over CIAC by the Secretary of Transportation and Communications, including without limitation, the power to recommend the appointment or removal and replacement of the members of the Board of Directors and officers of CIAC, subject to the provisions of RA 10149.

SECTION 4. Role of Departments, Bureaus, Offices, Agencies, Instrumentalities of the Government. The Secretary of Transportation and Communications may call upon the Department of Finance (DOF), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), BCDA, CDC, and any other agency of the Government for such assistance as may be necessary or appropriate in the performance of his functions.

All heads of departments, agencies, bureaus, offices, including government-owned or – controlled corporations, are hereby enjoined to render full assistance and cooperation to the Secretary of Transportation and Communications and provide such information and data as may be required to carry out his functions pursuant to this Order.

SECTION 5. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st day of December, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Eleven.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2011). *Executive Order No. 64: Transferring the Clark International Airport Corporation (CIAC) from the Office of the President to the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), making CIAC an agency attached to the DOTC, and further transferring the shares of stock of CIAC*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 65
PRESCRIBING RULES TO GOVERN THE COMPENSATION OF MEMBERS OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LOCAL WATER DISTRICTS PURSUANT
TO SECTION 5 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 24 (S. 2011)

WHEREAS, on 10 February 2011, the President issued Executive Order (EO) No. 24 entitled “Prescribing Rules to Govern the Compensation of Members of the Board of Directors/Trustees in Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations Including Government Financial Institutions”;

WHEREAS, in the exercise of the power of control of the President over Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), EO No. 24 was issued to rationalize the compensation of the members of their Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court, in the case of Davao City Water District et. al. vs. Civil Service Commission and Commission on Audit, G.R. No. 95237-38, dated September 30, 1991, declared Local Water Districts (LWDs) as “GOCCs with original charter”, they being quasi-public corporations created pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 198 (The Provincial Water Utilities Act of 1973), as amended, and whose employees belong to the Civil Service; and,

WHEREAS, Section 5 of EO No. 24 states that the members of the Board of Directors of LWDs shall likewise be subject to the policies and principles set forth therein, and that separate rules on the classification and compensation of the said members of the Board of Directors shall be issued for the purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Coverage. The rules set forth herein shall apply to all duly formed and existing LWDs.

Terms used in this Order shall have the same meaning as in EO No. 24 except when otherwise defined or provided.

Section 2. LWD Classification. LWDs shall be classified into four (4) major categories (Category A, B, C, or D) based on the number of active service connections and equivalent point rating, whichever is lower, as provided for in the Revised LWD Manual on Categorization, Recategorization and Other Related Matters (LWD-MaCRO) prepared by the Oversight Committee on LWDs composed of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Civil Service Commission (CSC), Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA), and Philippine Association of Water Districts (PAWD).

Section 3. Compensation Structure. The compensation of members of the Board of Directors shall have the following components:

- a) Compensation shall be in the form of *per diems* and subject to limits as provided for under Sections 4 and 5 hereof;

- b) Compensation in the form of Performance-Based incentives may be allowed and shall be based on a set of performance criteria as provided under Section 9 hereof;
- c) Annual Retainer Fees and Stock Plans shall not be allowed; and
- d) Salaries, Allowances, Benefits, and other Bonuses shall not be allowed unless specifically authorized by law or Charter and approved by the President, provided that the total of the foregoing compensation and per diems shall not exceed the limits stipulated under Sections 4 and 5 hereof.

Section 4. *Per Diem* for Board Meetings. The maximum *per diem* per Regular or Special Board meeting actually attended by members of the Board of Directors of LWDs shall be based on the classification of the LWD under Section 2 hereof but shall not exceed the maximum annual amount as specified herein. Entitlement thereof shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued by the LWUA.

LWD Category	Maximum <i>Per Diem</i> per Meeting (P)	Maximum <i>Per Diem</i> per Year (P)
A	10,000	240,000
B	6,660	159,840
C	3,675	88,200
D	1,440	34,560

The Board Chairperson may receive not more than 20% over the amount set for the members of the Board of Directors of LWDs.

Section 5. Computation of *Per Diem*. The classification of LWDs under Section 2 hereof and the equivalent point rating system shall be the basis in determining the amount of *per diem* of the members of the Board of Directors of LWDs as specified in the *per diems* schedule below. Any points earned beyond the maximum points allocated per category shall no longer be considered in the final computation of *per diem* and may not be carried over to succeeding years.

COMPUTATION OF PER DIEM			
LWD Category	Point-Rating	Multiplier Factor	Per Diem Range (P)
A	75-100	100.0	7,500 to 10,000
B	50-74	90.0	4,500 to 6,660
C	25-49	75.0	1,875 to 3,675
D	4-24	60.0	240 to 1,440

The members of the Board of Directors of LWDs may receive *per diem* corresponding to the GOCC classification C or higher as specified in Section 6 of EO No. 24 provided that the LWD meets the Assets and Revenue criteria provided therein.

Section 6. Succeeding Adjustments of *Per Diem*. The *per diem* of the members of the Board of Directors of LWDs may be adjusted through a Board Resolution effective on the date indicated in the Resolution, subject to the guidelines issued by the LWUA provided that said *per diem* rate falls within the limits specified in Sections 4 and 5 hereof. Any increase in the limit of the rate of *per diem* shall be endorsed by the LWUA and the Governance Commission for GOCCs (GCG) and subject to the approval of the President.

Section 7. Committees. The creation of working committees in the LWD Board of Directors shall be allowed only for LWDs under Category A. *Per diem* for such committee meetings shall be at most 60% of the amount set for Board meetings, but not to exceed the maximum amounts specified below. Entitlement thereof shall be in accordance with the guidelines issued by the LWUA.

Category	Maximum <i>Per Diem</i> per Meeting (Php)	Maximum <i>Per Diem</i> per Year (Php)
A	6,000	144,000

Section 8. LWUA Review. For purposes of determining compliance of LWDs with established guidelines, LWUA shall conduct a review of the actual *per diems* granted to the members of the Board of Directors of LWDs within three months from the date of implementation of the adjusted *per diems*.

Section 9. Performance-Based incentives. The members of the Board of Directors of LWDs may be entitled to Performance-Based Incentives not to exceed 50% of the actual annual *per diem* received for Regular and Special Board meetings, subject to a set of performance criteria developed by LWUA, endorsed by the GCG and subject to the approval of the President.

Section 10. Reimbursable Expenses. All necessary expenses of the members of the Board of Directors of LWDs to attend Board and other meetings and discharge their official duties shall be paid directly by the LWD. Any claim for reimbursement of necessary expenses by members of the Board of Directors of LWDs shall be subject to compliance with Section 12 of EO No. 24, provided that such expenses shall not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the actual *per diems* received for Regular and Special Board meetings. Further, reimbursement for travel expenses for official travel of members of the Board of Directors of LWDs shall be in accordance with the guidelines in EO No. 248 (s. 1995), as amended by EO No. 248-A (s.1995) and EO No. 298 (s. 2004).

Section 11. Categorization of LWDs by LWUA. The LWUA shall categorize the LWDs based on the LWD-MaCRO within three (3) months from the effectivity of this Order and submit the complete list of categorized LWDs to the DBM immediately thereafter.

Section 12. Clarification. Any request for clarification on the provisions of this Order shall be in writing and directed to the LWUA.

Section 13. Separation Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 14. Repealing Clause. All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 15. Effectivity Clause. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 65: Prescribing rules to govern the compensation of members of the Board of Directors of Local Water Districts pursuant to Section 5 of Executive Order No. 24 (s. 2011)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 66
PRESCRIBING RULES ON THE CANCELLATION OR SUSPENSION OF CLASSES AND
WORK IN GOVERNMENT OFFICES DUE TO TYPHOONS, FLOODING,
OTHER WEATHER DISTURBANCES, AND CALAMITIES

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the State to uphold the people's constitutional rights to life, health, safety and property and to promote the general welfare of its people at all times, especially during disasters and calamities;

WHEREAS, it is likewise the declared policy of the State to institutionalize the policies, structures, coordination mechanism and programs on disaster risk reduction from national down to local levels; recognize the local risk patterns across the country and strengthen the capacity of Local Government Units (LGUs) for disaster risk reduction and management through decentralized powers, responsibilities, and resources at the regional and local levels;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services Administration (PAGASA) is the agency of the government mandated to observe and report the weather of the Philippines and specified adjacent areas, and to issue forecasts and warnings of weather and flood condition affecting national safety, welfare and economy;

WHEREAS, the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) is a government entity mandated to establish a national early warning and emergency alert system to provide accurate and timely advice to national or local emergency response organizations and to the general public through diverse mass media; and recommend to the President the declaration of a state of calamity in areas extensively damaged; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to streamline the procedure in the suspension of classes and work in government offices in times of typhoons, floods and other disasters or calamities to spare the pupils, students, government workers and the general public from unnecessary dangers to their lives and limbs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Automatic Cancellation or Suspension of Classes and Work in Government Offices. The following guidelines shall be followed for the automatic cancellation or suspension of classes in all public and private elementary, secondary and tertiary schools, as well as work in all government offices:

- a. When **Signal No. 1** is raised by PAGASA, classes at the pre-school level, in the affected area, shall be automatically cancelled or suspended.
- b. When **Signal No. 2** is raised by PAGASA, classes at the pre-school, elementary and secondary levels, in the affected area, shall be automatically cancelled or suspended.

- c. When **Signal No. 3 or higher** is raised by PAGASA, classes at pre-school, elementary, secondary, and tertiary levels, in the affected area, including graduate school, as well as work in all government offices, shall be automatically cancelled or suspended.

The PAGASA shall issue weather forecasts through various media outlets (radio and television), and the NDRRMC, not later than 10:00 PM of the previous day and 4:30 AM of the day of the intended cancellation of classes and work. In cases where there are classes and work in the morning and suspension of classes and work is only effective in the afternoon, PAGASA should issue the forecast not later than 11:00 AM of the said day.

Section 2. Localized Cancellation or Suspension of Classes and Work in Government Offices. In the absence of typhoon signal warnings from PAGASA, localized cancellation or suspension of classes and work in government offices may be implemented by local chief executives, as chairmen of the *Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (LDRRMC)* concerned, in coordination with PAGASA and the NDRRMC, specifically in flood-prone or high risk areas.

Announcements will be made not later than 4:30 AM of the day of the intended cancellation of classes and work, or not later than 11:00 AM for suspension of work and classes in the afternoon session, through diverse mass media, particularly radio and television, landline communications and other technologies for communication within the community or locality.

Section 3. Cancellation or Suspension of Classes and Work in the Government During Other Calamities. Classes in all levels in both public and private schools as well as work in the government offices may be cancelled or suspended in areas affected by disasters or calamities other than typhoons, such as but not limited to floods, earthquakes, tsunami and conflagration, upon the declaration by the President of a State of Calamity based on the recommendation of the NDRRMC.

The concerned Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (LDRRMO) headed by the local chief executive shall be responsible for announcing the suspension of classes and work in the government offices in the affected areas in coordination with the NDRRMC, through all forms of mass media available under the circumstances.

Section 4. Maintenance of Work Force. In the event of cancellation or suspension of work in government offices due to any of the foregoing circumstances, the following government agencies, particularly those directly involved in disaster risk reduction and management, shall maintain the operations of their respective offices to ensure the continuity of the delivery of services to the public:

- a. Office of the Executive Secretary
- b. Department of National Defense
- c. Department of the Interior and Local Government
- d. Department of Social Welfare and Development
- e. Department of Science and Technology
- f. Department of Health
- g. Department of Public Works and Highways
- h. Department of Education
- i. Other agencies whose operations the President or the NDRRMC may deem necessary.

The Heads of Offices of the foregoing agencies shall determine which of their respective divisions or units, particularly those related to disaster risk reduction and management, shall maintain its operations.

Section 5. Report to the President. The NDRRMC chaired by the Secretary of National Defense shall immediately inform the Office of the President, through the Executive Secretary, of the cancellation or suspension of classes and work in government offices in the affected areas.

Section 6. Concurrent Authority. The Office of the President, through the Executive Secretary, shall have concurrent authority with the NDRRMC to cancel or suspend classes and work in government offices in the affected areas.

Section 7. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 9th day of **January**, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 67
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTEGRATED TRANSPORT SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the 2011-2016 Philippine Development Plan (PDP) of the Aquino Administration prioritizes the creation of an integrated and multimodal transport and logistics system under the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) framework as the Administration's centerpiece strategy for infrastructure development;

WHEREAS, there is a need to fast-track the establishment of an efficient, reliable, seamless and integrated mass transportation network/system to spur economic growth;

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the policy of prioritizing the creation of an integrated and multimodal transport and logistics system, there is a pressing need to interconnect mass transportation systems, such as buses and railways, to feed into each other and afford an efficient, reliable, seamless and integrated network/system;

WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) is mandated to be the primary policy, planning, programming, coordinating, implementing, regulating and administrative entity of the Executive Branch of the government in the promotion, development and regulation of dependable and coordinated networks of transportation system, as well as in the fast, safe, efficient and reliable transportation services;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order (EO) No. 125 (s. 1987), as amended, the DOTC is empowered to formulate and recommend national policies and guidelines for the preparation and implementation of integrated and comprehensive transportation and communications systems at the national, regional and local levels;

WHEREAS, the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) has the power to prescribe and regulate routes, economically viable capacities and zones, or areas of operation for public land transportation services provided by motorized vehicles in accordance with the public land transportation development plans and programs approved by DOTC;

WHEREAS, the LTFRB has the power to issue, amend, revise, suspend or cancel Certificates of Public Convenience (CPC) or permits authorizing the operation of public land transportation services provided by motorized vehicles and prescribe the appropriate terms and conditions therefore;

WHEREAS, an inter-agency approach is the most appropriate way of ensuring the efficient and effective programming, implementation, monitoring and regulation of an integrated transportation system in the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution and Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of EO 292 or the Administrative Code of 1987, the President has the power to reorganize executive agencies and/or modify their functions as the exigencies of the service may require.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Project. The Project shall be known as the Integrated Transport System.

SECTION 2. Objective. The Project aims to provide for the establishment of two (2) integrated transport terminals that are at par with international standards, with locations in the North and South of Metro Manila, to provide effective interconnections between different transport modes and services thereby ensuring efficient and seamless travel for the commuting public. Other integrated transport terminals may be established for the same purpose.

SECTION 3. Fast-Track Implementation of the Project. The Project shall be included by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) in the Public Investment Program (PIP) 2011-2016. The DOTC is hereby directed to fast-track the implementation of the Project with the cooperation of all concerned agencies.

SECTION 4. Legal Framework. The Project shall be structured under any of the schemes allowed under Republic Act No. 6957, as amended, otherwise known as the Build-Operate-and-Transfer (BOT) Law.

SECTION 5. Implementing Agency. The DOTC, pursuant to its mandate to promote, develop and regulate dependable and coordinated networks of transportation system, is hereby designated as the lead agency in the planning, implementation and monitoring of the Project.

SECTION 6. Creation of the Inter-Agency Committee. To fast-track the Project and to provide a mechanism for coordination, an Inter-Agency Committee shall be created as an advisory body and consultative forum in matters relating to the planning, implementation and monitoring of the Project. It shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	: Secretary, DOTC
Vice Chairperson	: Chairperson, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA)
Members	: Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Director-General, NEDA Chairperson, LTFRB Assistant Secretary, Land Transportation Office (LTO)

The Chairperson may recommend to the President the inclusion of other members to the Inter-Agency Committee as the circumstances may require.

SECTION 7. Functions of the Inter-Agency Committee. The Inter-Agency Committee shall have the principal function of providing technical advice and recommendations to the DOTC in:

- a. Overseeing the implementation of the Project;
- b. Regulating the terminal fees that may be charged for the use of the transport terminals and other facilities established under the Project;
- c. Issuing the implementing rules and regulations, procedures, guidelines and priority actions necessary to carry out the provisions of this Executive Order; and
- d. Performing other functions as may be necessary to implement the Executive Order and as may be directed by the President.

SECTION 8. Funding of the Inter-Agency Committee. The individual agencies shall program the expenses necessary for the operations of the Inter-Agency Committee in their regular budgets.

SECTION 9. Role of Other Departments, Bureaus, Offices, Agencies, Instrumentalities of the Government. The Inter-Agency Committee may call upon any other agency of the Government for such assistance as may be necessary or appropriate in the performance of its functions.

All heads of departments, agencies, bureaus, offices, including Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) are hereby enjoined to render full assistance and cooperation to the DOTC and the Inter-Agency Committee and provide such information and data as may be required to carry out its functions pursuant to this Executive Order.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. All executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11, Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 68
MONETIZATION PROGRAM OF OUTSTANDING VALUE-ADDED TAX (VAT)
TAX CREDIT CERTIFICATES (TCCs)

WHEREAS, Section 112 (A) of Republic Act (RA) No. 8424, otherwise known as the Tax Reform Act of 1997, as amended, and Section 106 (e) of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, provides for refund of tax credits;

WHEREAS, the VAT TCC monetization program is a mechanism to give qualified VAT-registered persons the cash equivalent of their outstanding VAT TCCs; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of the program promotes conducive business environment and raises the business credibility of the government both locally and globally.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. VAT TCC Monetization Program. A monetization program is hereby adopted in order to give qualified VAT-registered taxpayers the cash equivalent of their outstanding TCCs under the following options:

- a. Collect in advance from a trustee bank a discounted cash value of their TCCs; or
- b. Collect the full cash value of the TCCs upon a certain maturity date, to be determined by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) or the Bureau of Customs (BOC), as the case may be, pursuant to the implementing rules and regulations that will be issued to implement this Executive Order.

SECTION 2. Coverage. The VAT TCC monetization program shall cover outstanding VAT TCCs issued pursuant to Section 112 (A) of RA 8424, as amended, and outstanding VAT component of drawback TCCs issued pursuant to Section 106 (e) of the TCCP, as amended.

SECTION 3. Period of Implementation. The VAT TCC monetization program will be spread over a five-year period from 2012 to 2016. The funding requirement for this purpose shall be included in the National Expenditure Program (NEP) for the said years.

SECTION 4. Duties and Responsibilities. The following departments and offices shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) shall ensure that the funding requirement for the monetization program of outstanding VAT TCCs is included in the NEP from 2012 to 2016 based on the request made by the Department of Finance (DOF). Once approved, the DBM shall release the amounts appropriated for this purpose in the General Appropriations Act (GAA) upon the request of DOF.

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- b. The DOF shall direct the BIR and the BOC to verify the outstanding VAT TCCs and, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations, perform the following functions:
 - i. Provide the confirmation letter of the national government to acknowledge that the outstanding VAT TCCs constitute an obligation of the Republic of the Philippines;
 - ii. Favorably endorse to the national government agency concerned or to the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), as the case may be, the application to secure the necessary financial features required in the issuance of investment certificates to improve the net proceeds of the beneficiaries;
 - iii. Make arrangements with trustee bank on the requirements for the opening of a special account; and
 - iv. Make available the facilities of the Bureau of Treasury (BTr), including, but not limited to, Registry of Scripless Securities, the Automated Debt Auction Processing System, and such other facilities as may be required for the auctioning process in the implementation of the VAT TCC monetization program.
 - c. The BIR or the BOC shall issue the Notice of Payment Schedule to VAT TCC holders upon verification of the outstanding VAT TCCs.
 - d. The Government Financial Institutions (GFIs) shall serve as trustee banks for purposes of monetizing the outstanding VAT TCCs. A special trust account shall be established by the GFIs for the purpose.
 - e. The Commission on Audit (COA) shall have the power and duty to examine the recording of all transactions relative to the monetization of outstanding VAT TCCs.

SECTION 5. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRRs). The DBM, DOF, BIR and BOC shall jointly issue the IRRs on the VAT TCC monetization program.

SECTION 6. Non-issuance of VAT TCCs by BIR and BOC. Beginning 2012, the BIR and the BOC shall no longer issue TCCs for VAT refund, unless applied for by the VAT taxpayer, pursuant to Section 112 (A) of RA 8424, as amended, and Section 106 (e) of the TCCP, as amended.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 27th day March, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 68: Monetization program of outstanding Value-Added Tax (VAT) Tax Credit Certificates (TCCS)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 68-A
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 68 (S. 2012) WHICH ESTABLISHED
THE MONETIZATION PROGRAM OF OUTSTANDING VALUE-ADDED TAX
TAX CREDIT CERTIFICATES

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 68 (s. 2012) was issued establishing the Value-Added Tax (VAT) Tax Credit Certificates (TCCs) Monetization Program (hereinafter referred to as the “Program”) to provide a mechanism for qualified VAT-registered persons to receive the cash equivalent of their outstanding VAT TCCs; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the implementation of the Program, promote a conducive business environment, and raise the business credibility of the government both locally and globally, there is a need to simplify the terms of EO No. 68.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of EO No. 68 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. VAT TCC Monetization Program. A monetization program is hereby adopted in order to give all qualified VAT-registered taxpayers the full cash value of their outstanding VAT TCCs issued as of 31 December 2012, to be verified by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) or the Bureau of Customs (BOC), as the case may be.”

SECTION 2. Section 2 of EO No. 68 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 2. Coverage. The Program shall cover all outstanding VAT TCCs as of 31 December 2012 issued pursuant to Section 112 (A) of Republic Act (RA) No. 8424 or the National Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and all the VAT component of drawback TCCs outstanding as of 31 December 2012 issued pursuant to Section 106 (e) of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended. Thus, VAT TCCs may be issued in the following manner:

- a. Solely issued by the BIR;
- b. Solely issued by the BOC; or
- c. Jointly issued with the One-Stop-Shop Inter-Agency Tax Credit and Duty Drawback Center (DOF-OSS Center).”

SECTION 3. Section 3 of EO No. 68 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 3. Period of Implementation. The monetization of outstanding VAT TCCs shall be fully implemented not later than 30 June 2016.

All holders of VAT TCCs valid and outstanding as of 31 December 2012 who did not avail of the monetization program shall be paid through the cash conversion mechanism presently implemented by the BIR and which shall be implemented subsequently by the BOC.”

SECTION 4. Section 4 of EO No. 68 is hereby amended to read, as follows:

“**SECTION 4. Duties and Responsibilities.** The following departments and offices shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- a. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) shall ensure that the funding requirement for the monetization program of outstanding VAT TCCs is included in the over-all expenditure program of the Government and reflected in the respective special provisions under the BIR and BOC based on a request made by the Department of Finance (DOF) as to the outstanding amount required to pay the cash value of the TCCs.

Thereafter, the DBM shall release the said amounts upon request of the BIR or BOC with supporting documents, subject to pertinent budgeting, accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations.

- b. The BIR or the BOC shall verify the outstanding VAT TCCs.
- c. The Commission on Audit shall have the power and duty to examine the recording of all transactions relative to the monetization of outstanding VAT TCCs.”

SECTION 5. Section 6 of EO No. 68 is hereby amended to read, as follows:

“**SECTION 6. Non-issuance of VAT TCCs by BIR and BOC.** The BIR and the BOC shall no longer issue TCCs for VAT refund, unless applied for by the VAT taxpayer, pursuant to Section 112 (A) of RA No. 8424, as amended, and Section 106 (e) of the TCCP, as amended. In which case, taxpayers who apply for TCCs shall not be covered by the VAT TCC monetization program but may be paid through the cash conversion mechanism.”

SECTION 6. All Sections of EO No. 68 not covered by these amendments shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. Implementing Guidelines. The DBM, DOF, BIR and BOC shall jointly issue one set of guidelines to implement the provisions of this Order and to provide for a streamlined cash conversion mechanism for both BIR and BOC. The guidelines to be issued shall include the treatment for VAT TCCs that have been enrolled in the Monetization Program pursuant to EO No. 68.

SECTION 8. Separability. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 13th day of January, in the Year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 68-A: Amending Executive Order No. 68 (s. 2012) which established the monetization program of outstanding Value-Added Tax Tax credit certificates*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 69
STRENGTHENING THE PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR

WHEREAS, Section 10, Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution provides that “Urban or rural poor dwellers shall not be evicted nor their dwellings demolished, except in accordance with law and in a just and humane manner;”

WHEREAS, on 29 September 2011, the Commission on Human Rights (CHR) issued an “Advisory on the Right to Adequate Housing and Humane Treatment of Informal Settlers;”

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 82 (s. 1986), as amended, created the Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor (PCUP) under the Office of the President (OP) to coordinate the speedy implementation of government policies and programs for the urban poor;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order (AO) No. 111 (s. 1989) directed concerned government departments, agencies and offices to coordinate with PCUP and actively participate in tri-sectoral dialogues and activities concerning the urban poor;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 7279 otherwise known as the “Urban Development and Housing Act (UDHA) of 1992,” requires local government units (LGUs), in coordination with PCUP, to afford program beneficiaries an opportunity to be heard and to participate in the decision-making process over matters involving the protection and promotion of their collective interests;

WHEREAS, Section 28 of RA No. 7279 and its implementing rules and regulations uphold the constitutionally-guaranteed rights of the homeless and underprivileged citizens;

WHEREAS, EO No. 152 (s. 2002), as amended by EO No. 708 (s. 2008), directed PCUP to monitor all demolition and eviction activities involving the homeless and underprivileged citizens;

WHEREAS, there is a need to strengthen the mandate of PCUP to achieve the strict observance of the law and the Ten-Point Covenant of the President with the urban poor;

WHEREAS, EO No. 364 (s. 2004) placed PCUP under the supervision and control of the Department of Land Reform (DLR), now known as the Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) by virtue of EO No. 456 (s. 2005). However, the concerns of the urban poor go beyond undertaking a continuing program of land reform and housing and shall therefore include the totality of all factors for decent living and support services designed to alleviate the plight of the urban poor; and

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides for the continuing authority of the President to reorganize the administrative structure of the OP.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Transfer of PCUP to the OP. The PCUP shall be transferred to the OP to effectively coordinate, formulate, and evaluate policies and programs concerning the urban poor.

SECTION 2. Social Preparation Activities. The PCUP shall undertake social preparation activities related to asset reform, human development and basic social services, employment and livelihood, and other programs of the government for the urban poor.

SECTION 3. Representation in HUDCC, Key Shelter Agencies (KSAs) and in Local Housing Boards. The PCUP shall participate in policy discussions relating to the urban poor in board meetings of the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC), key shelter agencies (KSAs), Local Housing Boards (LHB) or other similar bodies.

SECTION 4. Institutional Arrangements and Support. (1) The PCUP, HUDCC, Department of Social Welfare and Development (DWSD), Department of Justice (DOJ), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC), in coordination with the CHR, shall jointly formulate the necessary operational mechanisms and guidelines to ensure strict compliance with Section 28 of RA No. 7279, as well as the implementation of the provisions of this Order, within forty-five (45) days from the issuance hereof.

(2) All other heads of departments, agencies, bureaus, and offices, including government-owned or controlled corporations, as well as local government units, civil society or people's organizations, shall render full assistance and cooperation and provide such other information and data as may be required to carry out its functions pursuant to this Order.

SECTION 5. Submission of Periodic Reports. The PCUP shall submit quarterly reports to the OP, relative to the status of compliance with the provisions of this Order and the pertinent provisions of the law governing eviction and demolition activities.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If any provision of this EO is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. All other executive issuances not consistent with the provisions of this order are hereby amended, modified, or repealed accordingly.

SECTION 8. Effectivity Clause. This EO shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 29th day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 69: Strengthening the Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 70
REDUCING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, SPARE PARTS AND
ACCESSORIES IMPORTED BY BOARD OF INVESTMENTS (BOI)-REGISTERED
NEW AND EXPANDING ENTERPRISES

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. (EO) 528 (s. 2006), provided for zero percent duty on certain articles imported by BOI-registered new and expanding enterprises for a period of five (5) years from the date of its effectivity or until the enactment of a law amending EO 226, otherwise known as the Omnibus Investments Code of 1987, as amended, whichever comes earlier;

WHEREAS, the five-year effectivity of EO 528 has expired and a law amending EO 226 remains to be enacted;

WHEREAS, there is a need to extend zero percent duty on importation of capital equipment, spare parts and accessories currently being enjoyed by BOI-registered enterprises located within economic zones and freeports;

WHEREAS, importation of capital equipment is one of the major cost burdens of business enterprises in their start-up operations;

WHEREAS, allowing zero percent duty importation will make the Philippines more competitive in attracting investments in the face of an increasingly competitive Asian market for foreign direct investments; and

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, empowers the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), to increase, reduce or remove existing protective rates of import of duty.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Zero Percent Duty. Any importation of capital equipment, spare parts and accessories by BOI-registered enterprises shall be subjected to zero percent duty, as indicated in Section 2 hereof.

SECTION 2. Coverage. The zero percent duty shall be granted to BOI-registered new and expanding enterprises on article or equipment classified under Chapters 40, 59, 68, 69, 70, 73, 76, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89, 90, 91 and 96 of the TCCP, as amended, upon issuance by the BOI of a Certificate of Authority, provided that, the importation of machinery, equipment, spare parts and accessories shall comply with the following conditions:

- a. They are not manufactured domestically in sufficient quantity, of comparable quality and at reasonable prices; and
- b. They are reasonably needed and will be used exclusively by the enterprise in its registered activity, unless prior approval of the BOI is secured.

SECTION 3. Prohibition to Sell, Transfer, or Dispose. The BOI-registered enterprise cannot sell, transfer or dispose of the aforementioned capital equipment, machinery, spare parts and accessories, without prior BOI approval within five (5) years from the date of importation; otherwise, the BOI-registered enterprise will be solidarily liable to pay twice the amount of the duty foregone or five hundred thousand pesos (Php 500,000.00), whichever is higher, without prejudice to other applicable penalties under EO 226.

SECTION 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRRs). The BOI shall promulgate the IRRs governing the implementation hereof.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this EO are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If any provision of this EO is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause. This EO shall take effect thirty (30) days following its complete publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines and shall be availed for a period of five (5) years from the date of effectivity of this EO or upon enactment of a law amending EO 226, otherwise known as the Omnibus Investment Code of 1987, as amended, whichever is earlier.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 29th of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 70: Reducing the rates of duty on capital equipment, spare parts and accessories imported by Board of Investments (BOI)-Registered New and Expanding Enterprises*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 71

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES (TCCP), AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF COMMITMENTS ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE HIGHLY SENSITIVE LIST UNDER THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASEAN NATIONS (ASEAN) – CHINA FREE TRADE AREA (ACFTA)

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Member States and the People's Republic of China ("The Parties") signed the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Co-Operation ("Framework Agreement") on 04 November 2002 in Cambodia;

WHEREAS, Articles 2(a), 3(1) and 8(1) of the Framework Agreement reflect the Parties' commitment to establish the ACFTA covering trade in goods by 2010 for the ASEAN 6 (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand) and China, and by 2015 for the newer ASEAN Member States of Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Viet Nam;

WHEREAS, to achieve the objective of the Framework Agreement, the Agreement on Trade in Goods (TIG) or the "TIG Agreement" was signed by the Economic Ministers of the Parties on 29 November 2004 in Vientiane, Lao PDR;

WHEREAS, Article 3(2)(b) of the TIG Agreement provides that tariff lines placed in the Sensitive Track by each Party on its own accord shall have their respective applied Most Favoured Nation (MFN) tariff rates reduced or eliminated in accordance with the modalities set out in Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement;

WHEREAS, Section 3(iii) of Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement provides that the Parties shall reduce the MFN rates on products in the Highly Sensitive List to not more than 50% not later than 2015 for ASEAN 6 and China;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board recommended on 16 January 2012, on *ad referendum* basis, the tariff reduction schedules of certain tariff lines under the Highly Sensitive Lists; and

WHEREAS, Section 402 of the TCCP, as amended, authorizes the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of NEDA, to modify import duties (including any necessary change in classification) and other import restrictions, as are required or appropriate to carry out and promote foreign trade with other countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reduction of Tariff Rates on Articles in the Highly Sensitive List. The articles specifically listed in the Annex hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the rates of import duty as indicated in Column 4 of the Annex.

SECTION 2. Applicable ACFTA Rate. For China and the ASEAN 9 (i.e. Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam), the applicable rate shall be the ACFTA rate subject to the submission of the proper Certificate of Origin (CO) Form E. Pursuant to Section 1313(a) of the TCCP, as amended, the Tariff Commission may, upon request, issue tariff classification rulings to confirm the applicable rates of duty of particular products subject to this section.

SECTION 3. Rates for Articles in the Annex Subject to Rules of Origin. From the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in the Annex entered into, or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be imposed the rates of duty therein prescribed, subject to compliance with the Rules of Origin as provided for in Article 5 of the TIG Agreement.

SECTION 4. Right of Recourse. Nothing in this Executive Order shall preclude the Philippines from invoking its right of recourse to all trade remedy measures provided for in its laws, the TIG Agreement and other relevant international agreements, as an effective device against import surges.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 16th of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 71: Modifying the rates of duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, in order to implement the Philippine tariff commitments on certain products included in the highly sensitive list under the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) – China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 72

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES (TCCP), AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF COMMITMENTS ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE SENSITIVE LIST AND THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN TARIFF LINES FROM THE SENSITIVE TRACK TO THE NORMAL TRACK UNDER THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) – CHINA FREE TRADE AREA (ACFTA)

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Member States and the People's Republic of China ("The Parties") signed the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Co-Operation ("Framework Agreement") on 04 November 2002 in Cambodia;

WHEREAS, Articles 2(a), 3(1) and 8(1) of the Framework Agreement reflect the Parties' commitment to establish the ACFTA covering trade in goods by 2010 for the ASEAN 6 (Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand) and China, and by 2015 for the newer ASEAN Member States of Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar and Viet Nam;

WHEREAS, to achieve the objective of the Framework Agreement, the Agreement on Trade in Goods (TIG) or the "TIG Agreement" was signed by the Economic Ministers of the Parties on 29 November 2004 in Vientiane, Lao PDR;

WHEREAS, Article 3(2)(b) of the TIG Agreement provides that tariff lines placed in the Sensitive Track by each Party on its own accord shall have their respective applied Most Favored Nation (MFN) tariff rates reduced or eliminated in accordance with the modalities set out in Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement;

WHEREAS, Section 3(i) of Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement provides that ASEAN-6 and China shall reduce the applied MFN rates of tariff lines placed in their respective Sensitive Lists to 20% not later than 2012. These rates shall subsequently be reduced to 0-5% not later than 2018;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board recommended on 16 January 2012, on *ad referendum* basis, the tariff reduction schedules of certain tariff, lines under the Sensitive List and the transfer of certain tariff lines herein indicated from the Sensitive Track to the Normal Track; and

WHEREAS, Section 402 of the TCCP, as amended, authorizes the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of NEDA, to modify import duties (including any necessary change in classification) and other import restrictions, as are required or appropriate to carry out and promote foreign trade with other countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reduction of Tariff Rates on Articles in the Sensitive List. The articles specifically listed in Annex A hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the rates of import duty as indicated in Columns 4-10 of Annex A.

SECTION 2. Transfer of Articles from Sensitive to Normal Track. The articles specifically listed in Annex B hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the ACFTA rates of import duty as indicated in Column 4 of Annex B.

SECTION 3. Applicable ACFTA Rate. For China and the ASEAN 9 (i.e. Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam), the applicable rate shall be the ACFTA rate subject to the submission of the proper Certificate of Origin (CO) Form E. Pursuant to Section 1313(a) of the TCCP, as amended, the Tariff Commission may, upon request, issue tariff classification rulings to confirm the applicable rates of duty of particular products subject to this section.

SECTION 4. Rates for Articles in Annexes A and B Subject to Rules of Origin. From the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in Annexes A and B entered into, or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be imposed the rates of duty therein prescribed, subject to compliance with the Rules of Origin as provided for in Article 5 of the TIG Agreement.

SECTION 5. Right of Recourse. Nothing in this Executive Order shall preclude the Philippines from invoking its right of recourse to all trade remedy measures provided for in its laws, the TIG Agreement and other relevant international agreements, as an effective device against import surges.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 16th of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 72: Modifying the rates of duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, in order to implement the Philippine tariff commitments on certain products included in the sensitive list and the transfer of certain tariff lines from the sensitive track to the normal track under the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) – China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 73

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES (TCCP), AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF COMMITMENTS ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE HIGHLY SENSITIVE LIST UNDER THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASEAN NATIONS (ASEAN) – KOREA FREE TRADE AREA (AKFTA)

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Member States and the Republic of Korea (The Parties”) signed the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation (“Framework Agreement”) on 13 December 2005 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

WHEREAS, Articles 1.3 and 2.1 of the Framework Agreement reflect the Parties’ commitment to establish the AKFTA covering trade in goods;

WHEREAS, to achieve the objective of the Framework Agreement, the Agreement on Trade in Goods (TIG) or the “TIG Agreement” was signed by the Economic Ministers of the Parties on 24 August 2006 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

WHEREAS, Article 3(2)(b) of the TIG Agreement provides that tariff lines placed in the Sensitive Track by each Party on its own accord shall have their respective applied Most Favoured Nation (MFN) tariff rates reduced or eliminated in accordance with the modalities set out in Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement;

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement provides that the Parties shall reduce the MFN rates on products in the Highly Sensitive List to not more than 50% in Group A not later than 2016 and to not less than 20% in Group B not later than 2016;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board recommended on 16 January 2012, on *ad referendum* basis, the tariff reduction schedules of certain tariff lines under the Highly Sensitive Lists; and

WHEREAS, Section 402 of the TCCP, as amended, authorizes the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of NEDA, to modify import duties (including any necessary change in classification) and other import restrictions, as are required or appropriate to carry out and promote foreign trade with other countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reduction of Tariff Rates on Articles in the Highly Sensitive List. The articles specifically listed in the Annex hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the rates of import duty as indicated in Column 4 of the Annex.

SECTION 2. Applicable AKFTA Rate. For the Republic of Korea and the ASEAN 9 (i.e. Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam), the applicable rate shall be the AKFTA rate subject to the submission of the proper Certificate

of Origin (CO) Form AK. Pursuant to Section 1313(a) of the TCCP, as amended, the Tariff Commission may, upon request, issue tariff classification rulings to confirm the applicable rates of duty of particular products subject to this section.

SECTION 3. Rates for Articles in the Annex Subject to Rules of Origin. From the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in the Annex entered into, or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be imposed the rates of duty therein prescribed, subject to compliance with the Rules of Origin as provided for in Article 5 of the TIG Agreement.

SECTION 4. Right of Recourse. Nothing in this Executive Order shall preclude the Philippines from invoking its right of recourse to all trade remedy measures provided for in its laws, the TIG Agreement and other relevant international agreements, as an effective device against import surges.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall take effect upon publication in a newspaper of general publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 16th of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 73: Modifying the rates of duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, in order to implement the Philippine tariff commitments on certain products included in the highly sensitive list under the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 74

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES (TCCP), AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF COMMITMENTS ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE SENSITIVE LIST AND THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN TARIFF LINES FROM THE SENSITIVE TRACK TO THE NORMAL TRACK UNDER THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) – KOREA FREE TRADE AREA (AKFTA)

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Member States and the Republic of Korea (“The Parties”) signed the Framework Agreement on Comprehensive Economic Cooperation (“Framework Agreement”) on 13 December 2005 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

WHEREAS, Articles 1.3 and 2.1 of the Framework Agreement reflect the Parties’ commitment to establish the AKFTA covering trade in goods;

WHEREAS, to achieve the objective of the Framework Agreement, the Agreement on Trade in Goods (TIG) or the “TIG Agreement” was signed by the Economic Ministers of the Parties on 24 August 2006 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia;

WHEREAS, Article 3(2)(b) of the TIG Agreement provides that tariff lines placed in the Sensitive Track by each Party on its own accord shall have their respective applied Most Favoured Nation (MFN) tariff rates reduced or eliminated in accordance with the modalities set out in Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement;

WHEREAS, Section 3(i) of Annex 2 of the TIG Agreement provides that ASEAN-6 and Korea shall reduce the applied MFN rates of tariff placed in their respective Sensitive Lists to 20% not later than 2012 and the said rates shall subsequently be reduced to 0-5% not later than 2016;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board recommended on 16 January 2012, on *ad referendum* basis, the tariff reduction schedules of certain tariff lines under the Sensitive List and the transfer of certain tariff lines herein indicated from the Sensitive Track to the Normal Track; and

WHEREAS, Section 402 of the TCCP, as amended, authorizes the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of NEDA, to modify import duties (including any necessary change in classification) and other import restrictions, as are required or appropriate to carry out and promote foreign trade with other countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reduction of Tariff Rates on Articles in the Sensitive List. The articles specifically listed in Annex A hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the rates of import duty as indicated in Columns 4-8 of Annex A.

SECTION 2. Transfer of Articles from Sensitive to Normal Track. The articles specifically listed in Annex B hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the AKFTA rates of import duty as indicated in Column 3 of Annex B.

SECTION 3. Applicable AKFTA Rate. For the Republic of Korea and the ASEAN 9 (i.e. Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, and Viet Nam), the applicable rate shall be the AKFTA rate subject to the submission of the proper Certificate of Origin (CO) Form AK. Pursuant to Section 1313(a) of the TCCP, as amended, the Tariff Commission may, upon request, issue tariff classification rulings to confirm the applicable rates of duty of particular products subject to this section.

SECTION 4. Rates for Articles in Annexes A and B Subject to Rules of Origin. From the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in Annexes A and B entered into, or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be imposed the rates of duty therein prescribed, subject to compliance with the Rules of Origin as provided for in Article 5 of the TIG Agreement.

SECTION 5. Right of Recourse. Nothing in this Executive Order shall preclude the Philippines from invoking its right of recourse to all trade remedy measures provided for in its laws, the TIG Agreement and other relevant international agreements, as an effective device against import surges.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 16th of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 74: Modifying the rates of duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, in order to implement the Philippine tariff commitments on certain products included in the sensitive list and the transfer of certain tariff lines from the sensitive track to the normal track under the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) – Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 75

DESIGNATING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS (DOTC), THROUGH THE MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY, AS THE SINGLE ADMINISTRATION IN THE PHILIPPINES RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSIGHT IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1978 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON STANDARDS OF TRAINING, CERTIFICATION AND WATCHKEEPING FOR SEAFARERS, AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, the Philippines is the premiere provider of competent and certificated seafarers in the international seaborne trade, accounting for more than 25% of the total crew requirements on board international merchant marine vessels, performing management and operational functions as well as support services on ships of various types, categories and sizes;

WHEREAS, the Philippines' shipboard personnel is a consistent major contributor to the Philippine economy through its foreign exchange earnings in the amount of more than US\$3 Billion annually;

WHEREAS, it is of paramount national interest that the competitiveness of the Filipino seafarer be promoted and sustained and thereby ensure that they are accorded consistent priority in employment and that their job security is maintained;

WHEREAS, the above objective can only be fully achieved through the institution of a single maritime authority in the Government to oversee and supervise the maritime education, training and certification system in accordance with the adopted international standards at all levels;

WHEREAS, the 1978 International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping (STCW Convention) for Seafarers, as amended, is a maritime safety instrument which sets the global standard of training and certification for seafarers engaged in the international shipping trade which was adopted under the auspices of the International Maritime Organization (IMO), the United Nations specialized agency responsible for safe and secure shipping and the protection of the marine environment through the prevention of pollution from ships, and which views training and education of seafarers as indispensable elements of crew competence, the software component of maritime safety;

WHEREAS, the Philippines is a party to the STCW Convention through the Instrument of Accession submitted to the IMO on 11 January 1984;

WHEREAS, since 1988, the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), as the flag state administration had originally undertaken the implementation of the STCW Convention, as amended, relative to the issuance of the Certificates of Competency to all seafarers from the period 1988 to 2000, pursuant to Executive Order No. 125-A (s. 1987);

WHEREAS, as a result of the adoption of the 2010 STCW Amendments, also known as the "Manila Amendments" which took effect on 1 January 2012, that imposes upon the maritime administration extensive responsibilities to satisfy full and complete compliance thereof, there is an urgent need for the Philippines to institutionalize a single maritime administration to lead, and supervise the comprehensive review and amendment, if necessary, of existing laws, rules

and regulations, including undertaking other appropriate measures to ensure full and complete compliance with the Manila Amendments;

WHEREAS, it is recognized that full and complete implementation to institutionalize a single maritime administration will still entail congressional action to amend or revise the legal mandates of the Professional Regulatory Commission (PRC) and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED); and

WHEREAS, the Revised Administrative Code of 1987, among other laws, empowers the President with continuing authority to reorganize the Executive Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. STCW Administration. The Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) through the MARINA shall exercise oversight and supervision over compliance with all qualification requirements and conditions under the STCW Convention, as amended, relating to maritime education, training and certification, subject to existing and applicable laws.

SECTION 2. Designation of Single Maritime Administration. In the exercise of the oversight and supervisory functions relating to STCW implementation, DOTC, through the MARINA, is hereby designated as the single and central maritime administration. For this purpose, and subject to existing and applicable laws, MARINA is hereby authorized to issue the appropriate Certification for the deployment of seafarers in the international seaborne trade consistent with the STCW 2010 Manila amendments.

In order to effectively carry out this function, DOTC through MARINA, shall issue the implementing rules and regulations to ensure that all legal and administrative measures taken and provided by the concerned government agencies and instrumentalities are appropriate and compliant to the STCW Convention, as amended;

DOTC, through the MARINA shall likewise review existing laws, rules and regulations, and undertake appropriate action to recommend to Congress the enactment of appropriate measures to revise or amend any and all existing laws, whenever warranted, to comply with and implement STCW Convention, as amended.

SECTION 3. Transfer of Functions of the MTC. The functions of the existing Maritime Training Council (MTC) created under Letter of Instructions No. 1404 (1984) and the function of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) to issue the Certificate of Competency for Ratings by virtue of Executive Order No. 242 (s. 2000) shall be transferred to the DOTC, through the MARINA. Its functions, the records, equipment, facilities, rights, and other assets and personnel are hereby transferred to the DOTC, through the MARINA.

SECTION 4. Role of Other Departments, Bureaus, Offices, Agencies, Instrumentalities of the Government. For the DOTC to effectively carry out the above-stated functions, all departments, agencies, bureaus, offices, including Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) are hereby directed to render full assistance and cooperation to the DOTC, through the MARINA, as may be necessary and appropriate in the performance of its functions; and

SECTION 5. Funding and Personnel. The amount necessary to carry out the implementation of this Executive Order shall be chargeable against such funds as may be identified by the Office of the President and the DOTC. The creation of additional *plantilla* positions and hiring of additional personnel to carry out the functions enumerated therein shall be authorized in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). Thereafter, appropriations for the STCW implementation shall be included in the budget of the DOTC, through the MARINA.

SECTION 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The DOTC, through the MARINA, shall, within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Executive Order, promulgate rules and regulations necessary to ensure the effective implementation of this Executive Order.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. Letter of Instruction No. 1404 (1984) and Executive Order No. 242 (s. 2000) are hereby repealed. All other orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Transitory Provision. The MTC and TESDA shall continue to discharge their respective functions within thirty (30) days from effectivity of this Executive Order or until such time that the DOTC, through the MARINA, shall have fully established procedures relative to the transfer and assumption of functions stated herein.

SECTION 9. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 30th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 75: Designating the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), through the Maritime Industry Authority, as the single administration in the Philippines responsible for oversight in the implementation of the 1978 International Convention On Standards Of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, as amended*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 76
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOURTH TRANCHE OF THE MODIFIED SALARY SCHEDULE
FOR CIVILIAN PERSONNEL AND BASE PAY SCHEDULE FOR MILITARY AND
UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT

WHEREAS, the Philippine Government has adopted the modified Salary Schedule for civilian personnel and the Base Pay Schedule for military and uniformed personnel authorized in the Senate and the House of Representatives Joint Resolution No. 4 approved on 17 June 2009, which shall be implemented in four (4) yearly tranches for personnel in national government agencies (NGAs);

WHEREAS, for personnel in government-owned or -controlled corporations (GOCCs), government financial institutions (GFIs), and local government units (LGUs), the implementation of the modified Salary Schedule shall be in at least four (4) years depending on their financial capabilities, pursuant to item 13 of said Joint Resolution;

WHEREAS, the third tranche of the Salary Schedule and Base Pay Schedule have been implemented effective 1 June 2011 for personnel in NGAs, GOCCs, and GFIs, and effective 1 January 2012 for personnel in LGUs; and

WHEREAS, Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10155, the FY 2012 General Appropriations Act (GAA), provides appropriations under the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund (MPBF) for the implementation of the fourth tranche of the Salary Schedule and Base Pay Schedule for personnel in NGAs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, Presidential Decree No. 985, Presidential Decree No. 1597, R.A. No. 6758, as amended by the Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution No. 01 approved on 7 March 1994, and Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution No. 4 do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Coverage and Exclusion.

- (a) Civilian Personnel – The compensation adjustments due to the implementation of the fourth tranche of the modified Salary Schedule shall cover all positions for civilian personnel in the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Branches, the Constitutional Commissions/ Offices, State Universities and Colleges, GOCCs, GFIs, and LGUs, whether regular, casual, or contractual in nature, appointive or elective, on full-time or part-time basis, now existing or hereafter created.
- (b) Military and Uniformed Personnel – The compensation adjustments due to the implementation of the fourth tranche of the modified Base Pay Schedule shall cover the military personnel under the Department of National Defense (DND) and uniformed personnel under the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), and National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA).

- (c) The following are excluded from the coverage of the compensation adjustments:
- (i) Individuals and groups whose services are engaged through job orders, contracts of services, or others similarly situated; and
 - (ii) Civilian personnel in government entities which are exempted from Republic Act (R.A.) No. 6758, "Compensation and Position Classification Act of 1989," as amended, and are authorized by law to adopt and are actually implementing their own compensation and position classification systems approved by the Office of the President.

SECTION 2. Implementation of the Fourth Tranche Monthly Salary Schedule for Civilian Personnel of the National Government. The Salary Schedule attached as Annex "A," which is the fourth tranche of the Salary Schedule provided in item (4)(b) of Joint Resolution No. 4, shall be implemented effective 1 June 2012 for national government personnel. However, for the President of the Philippines, Vice President, and Cabinet Secretaries, the fourth tranche shall be effective 1 July 2012.

SECTION 3. Implementation of the Fourth Tranche Monthly Base Pay Schedule for Military and Uniformed Personnel. The Base Pay Schedule attached as Annex "B," which is the fourth tranche of the Base Pay Schedule in item (8) of Joint Resolution No. 4, shall be implemented effective 1 June 2012.

SECTION 4. Implementation of the Fourth Tranche Monthly Salary Schedule for LGU Personnel. The implementation of the fourth tranche of the Salary Schedule for LGU personnel shall be determined by the *sanggunian* based on the LGU income class and financial capability: *Provided*, That such salary rates shall not exceed the following applicable percentages of the salary rates in Annex "A," pursuant to item (7)(a) of Joint Resolution No. 4: *Provided*, Further, That the resulting Personal Services (PS) cost shall not exceed the PS limitation in LGU budgets, as provided under Sections 325(a) and 331(b) of R.A. No. 7160: *Provided*, Finally, that there shall be no diminution in the basic salaries of incumbents for purposes of complying with said PS limitation.

Percentages of Salary Rates in Annex "A"		
	For Provinces/Cities	For Municipalities
Special Cities	100%	
1 st Class	100%	90%
2 nd Class	95%	85%
3 rd Class	90%	80%
4 th Class	85%	75%
5 th Class	80%	70%
6 th Class	75%	65%

For this purpose, the Department of Budget and Management shall issue the "Fourth Tranche Monthly Salary Schedule for Local Government Personnel" for each LGU income class to take effect not earlier than 1 January 2013.

SECTION 5. Inapplicability to Certain Officials. In accordance with Section 10, Article VI of the Constitution, no increase in compensation of Senators and Members of the House of Representatives shall take effect until after the expiration of the full term of all the Members of the Senate and the House of Representatives approving such increase.

SECTION 6. Fund Sources. The fund sources for the amounts necessary to implement the provisions of this Executive Order shall be as follows:

- (a) For NGAs, the amounts shall be charged against the MPBF in the FY 2012 GAA and from available savings. Thereafter, such amounts as may be needed shall be included in the annual GAA;
- (b) For GOCCs and GFIs, the amounts shall be charged against their respective corporate funds in the approved corporate operating budgets; and
- (c) For LGUs, the amounts shall be charged against their respective local government funds.

SECTION 7. Uniform Implementation in Case of Insufficiency of Funds.

- (a) GOCCs and GFIs which do not have adequate or sufficient funds shall implement salary schedules with lower rates than, but at uniform percentages of the salaries in Annex “A.”
- (b) LGUs which do not have adequate or sufficient funds to implement the salaries authorized for their LGU income classes shall implement salary schedules with lower rates than, but at uniform percentages of the rates in the “Fourth Tranche Monthly Salary Schedule for Local Government Personnel” for the respective LGU income classes.

SECTION 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Department of Budget and Management shall prepare and issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Executive Order.

SECTION 9. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid, or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila this 30th day of April, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

References: Annexes “A” and “B”

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 76: Implementation of the fourth tranche of the modified salary schedule for civilian personnel and base pay schedule for military and uniformed personnel in the government*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 77

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER (EO) NO. 637 (S. 2007), ON THE BASIS OF
THE COMPUTATION OF THE INCENTIVES OF PERSONNEL AFFECTED BY THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RATIONALIZATION PROGRAM UNDER EO NO. 366 (S. 2004)

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 366 (s. 2004) calls for a Rationalization Program (RP) to transform the Executive Branch into a more effective and efficient government by removing redundancies, overlaps and duplication, focusing its efforts on vital functions, and channeling resources to core public services;

WHEREAS, personnel affected by the implementation of the Rationalization Program under EO No. 366 have the option to either: (a) remain in their mother agency if their skills are still needed and there are positions where they can be accommodated; (b) be redeployed to other agencies needing additional personnel, without reduction in salary; or (c) retire/separate with the applicable incentives;

WHEREAS, EO No. 637 (s. 2007) provides that the incentives of personnel who may be affected by the rationalization efforts and would avail of the retirement/separation/unemployment benefits starting 01 July 2007 or a later date under Republic Act (RA) No. 660 (*An Act to Amend Commonwealth Act Numbered One Hundred and Eighty-Six entitled "An Act to Create and Establish a Government Service Insurance System, to Provide for its Administration, and to Appropriate the Necessary Funds Therefor," and to Provide Retirement Insurance and for Other Purposes*) or RA No. 8291 (*An Act Amending Presidential Decree No. 1146, as Amended, Expanding and Increasing the Coverage and Benefits of the Government Service Insurance System, Instituting Reforms Therein and for Other Purposes*), shall be computed using the actual monthly salary of said personnel as of 30 June 2007;

WHEREAS, the salaries of government workers have been increasing since 2007 pursuant to EO No. 611 (s. 2007), EO No. 719 (s. 2008), and Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution No. 4 (s. 2009), as implemented by EO No. 811 (s. 2009), EO No. 900 (s. 2010), and EO No. 40 (s. 2011); and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to improve the basis for the computation of EO No. 366 incentives in recognition of the services of personnel affected by the RP.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Revised Guidelines in the Computation of Incentives. The incentives that shall be received by personnel who will be affected by the RP under EO No. 366 and opt to avail of the retirement benefit under RA No. 660 or the applicable retirement/separation/unemployment benefit provided under RA No. 8291 shall be computed using their actual monthly salary as of 31 December 2011.

The incentive factors under EO No. 366 shall continuously be adopted. For the purpose of computing the total amount of incentive, only the government service of an affected personnel up to age 59 and a fraction thereof shall be counted.

The terminal leave benefits and retirement/separation/unemployment benefits of the affected employees, which are being released by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), respectively, shall be based on the existing rules and regulations on the matter.

SECTION 2. Availment of Incentives of Affected Personnel from Agencies with Approved Rationalization Plan (RP). Personnel who were affected as a result of the approval of the RP of their respective department/agency/government-owned and/or controlled corporation (GOCC)/government financial institution (GFI) and opted to remain either in their mother agency or in another agency shall be allowed to avail of the retirement/separation/unemployment benefits under RA No. 660 or RA No. 8291, including the applicable incentives, within one (1) month from the effectivity of this Order.

Consistent with Section 1 hereof, the incentives of said personnel shall be computed using their actual monthly salary as of 31 December 2011.

SECTION 3. Payment of Incentives of Affected Personnel Who Retired/Separated Starting 01 July 2007 but Before the Issuance of this Order. The incentives of those affected personnel who have already availed of the retirement/separation/unemployment benefits under the aforementioned retirement laws and whose retirement/separation from government service became effective starting 01 July 2007 but before the issuance of this Order shall be based on their actual monthly salary as of the date of their retirement, subject to the recomputation of their incentive by their respective agency and validation by the DBM, and the existing budgeting, accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 4. Suspension of the Creation of Regular Positions. Departments /agencies/GOCCs/GFIs with approved RP shall not be allowed additional regular positions for at least five (5) years, except the following:

- a) Those to be created under the “scrap and build policy” where there is no additional cost to the government;
- b) Population-related items such as policemen, teachers, and medical and allied medical positions for hospitals and similar facilities; and,
- c) For mandated new functions which cannot be absorbed by existing units/positions, as determined by the DBM.

SECTION 5. Funding Source. The funds necessary to pay the incentives of affected employees in all regular government agencies shall be provided by the National Government, chargeable against appropriate funds, as may be determined by DBM.

Incentives of affected personnel in GOCCs/GFIs shall be sourced from their respective corporate funds. In case of funding deficiency of GOCCs/GFIs not exempted from the Salary Standardization Law, the National Government may provide assistance.

SECTION 6. Responsibility Clause. It shall be the responsibility of the Department Secretaries and equivalent Agency Heads to strictly implement the provisions of this Order. In case of any violation, the official authorizing such action shall be held responsible for whatever expenses the government incurred for not strictly following the guidelines set forth.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. All other issuances, rules, and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect upon its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 08th day of May, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 77: Amending Executive Order (EO) No. 637 (s. 2007), on the basis of the computation of the incentives of personnel affected by the implementation of the rationalization program under EO No. 366 (s. 2004)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 78

MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF PROVISIONS ON THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISMS IN ALL CONTRACTS INVOLVING PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS, BUILD-OPERATE AND TRANSFER PROJECTS, JOINT VENTURE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE ENTITIES AND THOSE ENTERED INTO BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS

WHEREAS, as early as 1953, Republic Act (RA) No. 876 otherwise known as “The Arbitration Law,” already allowed persons or parties to submit to arbitration, “any controversy existing between them at the time of the submission and which may be the subject of an action, or the parties to any contract may in such contract agree to settle by arbitration a controversy thereafter arising between them;”

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court (SC) in 2001, has authorized the use of court-annexed mediation as a form of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in specific cases. Furthermore, other forms of ADR have been incorporated into the Philippine judicial system, such as: the use of pre-trial; discovery modes of procedure; the barangay certification prerequisite to filing actions in court; and, the procedure in small claims cases;

WHEREAS, RA No. 9285, otherwise known as “The ADR Act of 2004,” declares that it is the policy of the State to actively promote party autonomy in resolving disputes and to respect the freedom of the parties to make their own arrangements to resolve their disputes;

WHEREAS, the SC promulgated the Special Rules of Court on ADR in 2009 (A.M. No. 07-11-08-SC), with the objective of encouraging and promoting the use of ADR, particularly arbitration and mediation, as an important means to achieve speedy and efficient resolution of disputes with the greatest cooperation of the courts and at the same time the least intervention from the same;

WHEREAS, towards this end, the State shall encourage and actively promote the use of ADR mechanisms through conciliation and negotiation, mediation and arbitration, in the order of application, as an efficient tool and an alternative procedure in achieving speedy and impartial justice and de-clogging court dockets; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide a more inviting climate for private investments by making the resolution of disputes arising out of a contract less expensive, tedious, complex and time-consuming, especially for large-scale, capital-intensive infrastructure and development contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Use of ADR mechanisms. All contracts involving Public-Private Partnership (PPP) projects and/or those entered into under RA No. 6957 entitled, “The Act Authorizing the Financing, Construction, Operation and Maintenance of Infrastructure Projects by the Private Sector, and for Other Purposes,” as amended by RA No. 7718, otherwise known as the “Build-Operate and Transfer (BOT) Law,” as well as Joint Venture Agreements (JVAs) between government and private entities

issued by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) pursuant to Executive Order (EO) No. 423 (s. 2005), shall include provisions on the use of ADR mechanisms, at the option and upon agreement of the parties to said contracts.

All parties who enter into similar contracts with Local Government Units (LGUs) are encouraged to stipulate on the use of ADR mechanisms, in accordance with their own JV rules, guidelines or procedures.

When parties to the abovementioned contracts agree to submit the case for ADR, the use of either domestic or international ADR mechanisms shall be highly encouraged, giving the parties complete freedom to choose which venue and forum shall govern their dispute, as well as the rules or procedures to be followed in resolving the same.

SECTION 2. Implementing Agency. NEDA, in consultation with the appropriate agencies of the government, is hereby directed to issue the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) to implement this EO, which shall be binding on all government agencies and shall guide LGUs that shall enter into PPP or BOT contracts and JVs.

SECTION 3. Information Campaign. The Department of Justice (DOJ) through the Office of the Alternative Dispute Resolution (OADR), NEDA through the PPP Center, and the government media instrumentalities shall conduct a massive information campaign on this policy directive and the different ADR mechanisms to all national and local government agencies/entities, the private sector and the general public.

The initial funding requirements for the information campaign shall be shared by and charged against the current appropriations of the PPP Center, NEDA, OADR, and other concerned agencies. Funding for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in their respective regular appropriations thereafter.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this EO are hereby revoked and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Separability Clause. If any provision of this EO is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Effectivity Clause. This EO shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 78: Mandating the inclusion of provisions on the use of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms in all contracts involving public-private partnership projects, build-operate and transfer projects, joint venture agreements between the government and private entities and those entered into by local government units*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 79
INSTITUTIONALIZING AND IMPLEMENTING REFORMS IN THE PHILIPPINE
MINING SECTOR, PROVIDING POLICIES AND GUIDELINES TO ENSURE
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND RESPONSIBLE MINING IN
THE UTILIZATION OF MINERAL RESOURCES

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect and advance the right of the Filipino people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article XII of the 1987 Constitution seeks a more equitable distribution of opportunities, income, and wealth; a sustained increase in the amount of goods and services produced by the nation for the benefit of the people; an expanding productivity as the key to raising the quality of life for all, especially the underprivileged; and that in the pursuit of these goals, all sectors of the economy and all regions of the country shall be given optimum opportunity to develop;

WHEREAS, Section 2, Article XII of the 1987 Constitution provides that the exploration, development, and utilization of mineral resources shall be under the full control and supervision of the State;

WHEREAS, further to Section 2, Article XII of the 1987 Constitution, which recognizes the small-scale utilization of resources by Filipino citizens, small-scale mining shall be recognized as a formal sector of the industry;

WHEREAS, Section 22, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State recognizes and promotes the right of indigenous cultural communities within the framework of national unity and development, and Republic Act (RA) No. 8371, or the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act (IPRA) of 1997, recognizes further the indigenous peoples' (IPs) right to develop their lands and natural resources within their ancestral domains, subject to their free, prior, and informed consent (FPIC);

WHEREAS, Section 7, Article X of the Constitution provides that local government units (LGUs) are entitled to an equitable share in the proceeds of the utilization and development of the national wealth within their jurisdiction, and the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that LGUs have the duty and authority to protect and co-manage the environment and enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of RA No. 7492, otherwise known as the Philippine Mining Act of 1995, provides that it shall be the responsibility of the State to promote the rational exploration, development, utilization, and conservation of the country's mineral resources through the combined efforts of government and the private sector in order to enhance national growth in a way that effectively safeguards the environment and protects the rights of affected communities; and,

WHEREAS, as recommended by the Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation and Economic Development Cabinet Clusters in a Joint Resolution dated 16 March 2012, a six-point agenda was adopted, which sets the direction and lays the foundation for the implementation of Responsible Mining Policies, foremost among which is to improve environmental mining standards and increase

revenues to promote sustainable economic development and social growth, both at the national and local levels,

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Areas Closed to Mining Applications. Applications for mineral contracts, concessions, and agreements shall not be allowed in the following:

- a) Areas expressly enumerated under Section 19 of RA No. 7942;
- b) Protected areas categorized and established under the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) under RA No. 7586;
- c) Prime agricultural lands, in addition to lands covered by RA No. 6657, or the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law of 1988, as amended, including plantations and areas devoted to valuable crops, and strategic agriculture and fisheries development zones and fish refuge and sanctuaries declared as such by the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture (DA);
- d) Tourism development areas, as identified in the National Tourism Development Plan (NTDP); and,
- e) Other critical areas, island ecosystems, and impact areas of mining as determined by current and existing mapping technologies, that the DENR may hereafter identify pursuant to existing laws, rules, and regulations, such as, but not limited to, the NIPAS Act.

Mining contracts, agreements, and concessions approved before the effectivity of this Order shall continue to be valid, binding, and enforceable so long as they strictly comply with existing laws, rules, and regulations and the terms and conditions of the grant thereof. For this purpose, review and monitoring of such compliance shall be undertaken periodically.

SECTION 2. Full Enforcement of Environmental Standards in Mining. The Government in general, and the Department of Environmental and Natural Resources (DENR) in particular, in coordination with concerned LGUs, shall ensure that environmental standards in mining, as prescribed by the various mining and environmental laws, rules, and regulations, shall be fully and strictly enforced, and appropriate sanctions meted out against violators thereof.

In line with the above, only those who are able to strictly comply with all the pertinent requirements shall be eligible for the grant of mining rights, pursuant to the applicable provisions of RA No. 7942.

SECTION 3. Review of the Performance of Existing Mining Operations and Cleansing of Non-Moving Mining Rights Holders. To ensure compliance with environmental standards, laws, rules and regulations, and to rationalize the management and utilization of minerals toward sustainable development, a multi-stakeholder team led by the DENR shall conduct a review of the performance of existing mining operations. The said review shall be based on guidelines and parameters set forth in the specific mining contract or agreement and on other pertinent or applicable laws, rules and regulations, such as the Mining Act of 1995 and the Labor Code. Appropriate action shall be immediately taken against proven violators based on the findings and recommendations of the review.

SECTION 4. Grant of Mineral Agreements Pending New Legislation. No new mineral agreements shall be entered into until a legislation rationalizing existing revenue sharing schemes and mechanisms shall have taken effect. The DENR may continue to grant and issue Exploration

Permits under existing laws, rules, and guidelines. The grantees of such permits shall have the rights under the said laws, rules, and guidelines over the approved exploration area and shall be given the right of first option to develop and utilize the minerals in their respective exploration area upon the approval of the declaration of mining project feasibility and the effectivity of the said legislation.

The DENR shall likewise undertake a review of existing mining contracts and agreements for possible renegotiation of the terms and conditions of the same, which shall in all cases be mutually acceptable to the government and the mining contractor.

SECTION 5. Establishment of Mineral Reservations. Potential and future mining areas with known strategic mineral reserves and resources shall be declared as Mineral Reservations for the development of strategic industries identified in the Philippine Development Plan and a National Industrialization Plan, pursuant to the pertinent provisions of RA No. 7942, after proper consultation with all concerned stakeholders such as, but not limited to, residents of affected communities, LGUs, the business sector, and non-government and civil society organizations.

This shall be without prejudice to the agreements, contracts, rights and obligations previously entered into by and between the government and mining contractors/operators.

SECTION 6. Opening of Areas for Mining through Competitive Public Bidding. The grant of mining rights and mining tenements over areas with known and verified mineral resources and reserves, including those owned by the Government and all expired tenements, shall be undertaken through competitive public bidding. The Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB) shall prepare the necessary competitive bid packages and formulate the proper guidelines and procedures to conduct the same, which shall include ensuring that the social acceptability of the proposed project has been secured.

All other mining rights and tenements applications shall be processed and approved through existing procedures.

SECTION 7. Disposition of Abandoned Ores and Valuable Metals in Mine Wastes and Mill Tailings. All valuable metals in abandoned ores and mine wastes and/or mill tailings generated by previous and now defunct mining operations belong to the State and shall be developed and utilized through competitive public bidding in accordance with the pertinent provisions of law.

In the case of existing mining operations, all valuable metals in mine wastes and/or mill tailings shall automatically belong to the State upon the expiration of the pertinent mining contracts and shall be similarly developed and utilized through public bidding; *provided*, that where two or more mine sites, covered by their respective mining contracts, share a single tailings pond, both or all mining contracts must expire before the State can claim ownership over the said tailing pond.

The State's assumption of responsibility over the structures and facilities relating to mine wastes and mine tailings shall be without prejudice to any liability/liabilities that may be found against mining contractors for any harm or damage caused by said structures and facilities, mine wastes and mine tailings prior to the said assumption of responsibility in accordance with existing laws, rules, regulations and the terms of the grant of the mining rights.

SECTION 8. Value-Adding Activities and the Development of Downstream Industries for the Mineral Sector. The DENR, in coordination with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), other government agencies concerned, the mining industry, and other stakeholders, shall submit within a period of six (6) months a national program and road-map, based on the Philippine Development Plan and a National Industrialization Plan, for the development of value-adding activities and downstream industries for strategic metallic ores.

SECTION 9. Constituting the Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation and Economic Development Cabinet Clusters as the Mining Industry Coordinating Council (MICC). The Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation and Economic Development Cabinet Clusters, shall constitute themselves into an interagency forum to be known as the Mining Industry Coordinating Council (MICC).

The MICC shall be co-chaired by the Chairpersons of the two (2) clusters and shall have the following additional members: Secretary, Department of Justice (DOJ), Chairperson, National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), and President, Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines (ULAP).

SECTION 10. Powers and Functions of the Council. The Council shall have the following powers and functions:

- a) Submit a work plan within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order for the implementation of this Order and other reforms related to the mining industry;
- b) Ensure continuing dialogue and coordination among all stakeholders in the industry;
- c) Conduct and facilitate the necessary capacity and institutional building programs for all concerned government agencies and instrumentalities;
- d) Conduct an assessment and review of all mining-related laws, rules and regulations, issuances, and agreements with the view to formulating recommendations to improve the allocation of revenues and risk between the government and the mining sector, to enhance coordination between the National Government and LGUs to ensure implementation of mining laws and regulations, and to properly regulate small-scale mining participants and ensure that they are accountable to the same environmental and social obligations as large-scale mining companies;
- e) As may be directed by the President, constitute and create a Task Force Against Illegal Mining and seek the assistance of all law enforcement agencies, such as, but not limited, to the Philippine National Police (PNP) and the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP) to ensure strict compliance with relevant laws, rules and regulations;
- f) Serve as the Oversight Committee over the operations of Provincial/City Mining Regulatory Boards (P/CMRBs);
- g) Request the assistance of any government agency or instrumentality, including government-owned and controlled corporations and local government units (LGUs), in the implementation of this Order;
- h) Submit periodic reports to the President on the status of the implementation of this Order; and,
- i) Perform such other functions and acts as may be necessary, proper or incidental to the attainment of its mandates and objectives, or as may be directed by the President.

SECTION 11. Measures to Improve Small-Scale Mining Activities. To improve and address issues on small-scale mining, the following measures shall be undertaken:

- a) Small-scale mining activities shall comply with RA NO. 7076, or the People's Small-Scale Mining Act of 1991, and the Environmental Impact Statement System requirements under Presidential Decree (PD) No. 1586;
- b) Pursuant to RA No. 7076, small-scale mining operations shall be undertaken only within the declared People's Small-Scale Mining Areas or *Minahang Bayan*;

- c) Pursuant to Section 24 of RA No. 7076, P/CMRBs in provinces and cities where they have not been constituted shall be operationalized within three (3) months from the effectivity of this Order;
- d) Small-scale mining shall not be applicable for metallic minerals except gold, silver, and chromite, as provided for in RA No. 7076;
- e) The use of mercury in small-scale mining shall be strictly prohibited; and,
- f) Training and capacity building measures in the form of technical assistance for small-scale mining cooperatives and associations shall be conducted by the concerned government agencies.

SECTION 12. Consistency of Local Ordinances with the Constitution and National Laws/LGU Cooperation. The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the LGUs are hereby directed to ensure that the exercise of the latter's powers and functions is consistent with and conform to the regulations, decisions, and policies already promulgated and taken by the National Government relating to the conservation, management, development, and proper utilization of the State's mineral resources, particularly RA No. 7942 and its implementing rules and regulations, while recognizing the need for social acceptance of proposed mining projects and activities.

LGUs shall confine themselves only to the imposition of reasonable limitations on mining activities conducted within their respective territorial jurisdictions that are consistent with national laws and regulations.

Concerned government agencies, in particular the DENR, the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), and the Department of Finance (DOF), are hereby directed to ensure the timely release of the share of LGUs in the National Wealth pursuant to Section 289 of RA No. 7160, or the Local Government Code of 1991. These agencies are likewise directed to study the possibility of increasing LGUs' share as well as granting them direct access similar to existing arrangements with the Philippine Export Zone Authority (PEZA).

LGUs, DENR, and the MGB working together shall strictly implement RA No. 7076, to ensure the protection of the environment, address various issues in small-scale mining, and ensure that violators thereof are subjected to appropriate administrative and criminal liability.

SECTION 13. Creating a One-stop Shop for all Mining Applications and Procedures. The DENR is hereby directed to establish an inter-agency one-stop shop for all mining related applications and processes within six (6) months from the effectivity of this Order. The DENR shall issue authority to verify mineral deposits only for areas open to mining, as defined in this Order; *provided*, that no Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA), Financial and Technical Assistance Agreement (FTAA), Joint Venture Agreement (JVA), or Co-Production Agreement (CPA) shall be approved without the FPIC of the concerned IPs and compliance with the social acceptability requirement of the communities affected. All concerned government agencies and instrumentalities, including but not limited to the DENR-MGB, NCIP, DOF, and concerned LGUs are hereby directed to ensure an efficient and effective consolidation of functions, and to cooperate and render assistance as may be necessary.

SECTION 14. Improving Transparency in the Industry by Joining the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative. In order to improve transparency, accountability, and governance in the sector, the government shall support and commit participation in the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI). The DENR is mandated to ensure that mechanisms are established to operationalize the EITI in the mining sector, in consultation and coordination with the mining industry and other concerned stakeholders.

SECTION 15. Creation of a Centralized Database for the Mining Industry. The DENR is hereby directed to create a centralized database of all mining-related information. The database shall initially include all available data on the industry from all government agencies and instrumentalities. The database shall be publicly accessible, transparent, complete, and comprehensive. The database shall be created within six (6) months from the effectivity of this Order.

Information and data gathered from the conduct of Resource Accounting or Full-Cost Benefit Analysis Studies, in line with the Wealth Accounting and Valuation of Ecosystem Services (WAVES) and the National Climate Change Action Plan (NCCAP), shall also be made part of the centralized database.

SECTION 16. Integrated Map System to Include Mining Related Maps. Current and existing efforts to create an integrated map system for the common and uniform use of all government agencies and instrumentalities shall include all mining-related maps, such as, but not limited, to mining tenement maps, geo-hazard and multi-hazard maps, ancestral lands and domains, and protected areas under the NIPAS, among others. The maps in the system, including the mining-related maps, shall guide all planning and decision-making processes.

Areas closed to mining operations, as provided for in Section 2 of this Order and in other pertinent laws, rules, and regulations, shall be clearly defined and delineated under the integrated map system.

SECTION 17. Use of the Programmatic Environmental Impact Assessment. The DENR and the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) shall study the adoption of the Programmatic Environmental Impact Assessment (PEIA) in the implementation of the Philippine Environmental Impact Statement System (PEISS) under PD No. 1586, for mining projects and related activities. The necessary amendatory rules and regulations shall be issued for the implementation of this Section.

The DENR-EMB is also hereby directed to study the use and implementation of the PEIA for other industries and activities covered by the PEISS.

SECTION 18. Funding. All government agencies involved in the implementation of this Order are authorized to allocate from their existing funds such amounts as may be necessary for the budgetary requirements that may be needed to pursue the objectives of this Order, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 19. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRRs). The DENR, working with the MICC, shall issue the pertinent IRRs within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order.

SECTION 20. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid and unconstitutional, all other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 21. Repealing Clause. All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 22. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of July, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 80
DIRECTING THE ADOPTION OF A PERFORMANCE-BASED INCENTIVE SYSTEM
FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, there is a need to rationalize the current incentive system in government which is generally characterized by across-the-board bonuses that are given uniformly to all civil servants;

WHEREAS, there is a need to strengthen performance monitoring and appraisal systems based on existing systems like the Organizational Performance Indicator Framework (OPIF) which is being used by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to measure agency performance, the Strategic Performance Management System (SPMS) of the Civil Service Commission (CSC) which links individual performance to organizational performance, and the Results-Based Performance Monitoring System (RBPMS).

WHEREAS, service delivery by the bureaucracy can be improved by linking personnel incentives to the bureau or delivery unit's performance and recognizing and rewarding exemplary performance in the public sector;

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish and implement a Performance-Based Incentive (PBI) System that will motivate higher performance and greater accountability in the public sector and ensure the accomplishment of commitments and targets under the five (5) Key Result Areas (KRAs) laid down in Executive Order (EO) No. 43 (s. 2011) and the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2011-2016;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order (AO) No. 25 (s. 2011) seeks to establish a unified and integrated RBPMS across all departments and agencies within the Executive Branch of Government, incorporating a common set performance scorecard, and creating an accurate, accessible, and up-to-date government-wide, sectoral, and organizational performance information system, which shall be used as basis for determining entitlement to performance-based allowances, incentives, or compensation of government personnel;

WHEREAS, one of the governing principles of the Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution (JR) No. 4 (s. 2009), otherwise known as the "Salary Standardization Law (SSL) III," is the establishment of a PBI scheme which aligns personnel efforts to organizational performance to reward exemplary civil servants and well-performing institutions; and

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 985, PD 1597, Republic Act (RA) No. 6758, as amended by Senate and House of Representatives JR Nos. 1 and 4, authorized the President to approve policies and levels of allowances and benefits.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and applicable laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Adoption of a PBI System. A PBI system consisting of the Productivity Enhancement Incentive (PEI) and the Performance-Based Bonus (PBB) shall be adopted in the national government beginning Fiscal Year (FY) 2012.

- a. The PEI, in the amount of P5,000, shall continually be granted across-the-board, in accordance with the guidelines to be issued by DBM.
- b. The PBB, which is a top-up bonus, shall be given to personnel of bureaus or delivery units in accordance with their contribution to the accomplishment of their Department's overall targets and commitments, subject to the following criteria:
 - i. Achievement by the Departments of performance targets under their respective Major Final Outputs (MFOs), and Priority Program/Project commitments as agreed with the President under the 5 KRAs under EO 43; and
 - ii. Accomplishment of good governance conditions set by the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) created under AO 25.

SECTION 2. Guidelines for the PBB. The following guidelines and principles shall govern the PBB scheme:

- a. The PBB shall be characterized as a system of ranking units and personnel within an organization according to their performance as measured by verifiable, observable, credible, and sustainable indicators of performance based on the following pillars:
 - i. Department's Major Final Outputs;
 - ii. Department's commitments to the President which are supportive of the priorities under EO 43; and
 - iii. Good governance conditions to be determined by IATF under AO 25.
- b. Flexibility shall be provided to the heads of departments and agencies to suit the PBB system to the nature of their operations and to drive peak performers, in terms of the determination of the appropriate delivery units to be rewarded and the performance indicators to be used; and
- c. There shall be appropriate communications strategy and publication of performance targets and accomplishments in the department and agency websites and the website for the RBPMS to ensure transparency and accountability in the implementation of the PBB scheme.

SECTION 3. Performance Categories and Rates of Incentives. The amount of the PBB shall be based on the performance of the departments, bureaus or delivery units, and of the individual employees. Department Secretaries or their duly designated officials shall rank the bureaus or delivery units, including attached agencies, according to their performance following a normal distribution.

The PBB shall be distributed according to the following scheme for FY 2012, without prejudice to the revision thereof in succeeding years, as may be approved by the President, upon recommendation of the IATF:

Performance Category	Best Performer	Better Performer	Good Performer
Best Bureau	35,000	20,000	10,000
Better Bureau	25,000	13,500	7,000
Good Bureau	15,000	10,000	5,000

Bureaus and individuals who receive a Below Satisfactory performance rating will not be qualified for the PBB.

SECTION 4. Prohibition against the Grant of New and Additional Increases in the Rates of Existing incentives and Bonuses. The grant of allowances, incentives and bonuses other than those authorized under SSL III and any increase in the existing and authorized rates therefor, other than what is provided for in this EO, shall not be allowed.

Government agencies, including Government-Owned or –Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), with existing authorized performance-based incentive or bonus systems shall harmonize the same with the PBB scheme.

SECTION 5. Funding. Funds needed for the grant of the PBB to covered employees shall be charged against the following:

- a. For departments, bureaus, and agencies, including State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), the necessary funds shall be charged against the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund (MPBF) in the General Appropriations Act (GAA).
- b. For GOCCs, the funds required shall be charged against their respective corporate funds. The use of funds for the purpose shall be subject to the approval of their respective governing boards in accordance with applicable laws.

SECTION 6. Coverage. This EO shall cover all departments, agencies, SUCs, and GOCCs that remain under the jurisdiction of DBM.

SECTION 7. Applicability to GOCCs under the Jurisdiction of GCG. The Governance Commission on GOCCs (GCG) is encouraged to adopt the policies and principles contained in this EO and issue the necessary guidelines for GOCCs under its jurisdiction, pending the formal implementation of the Compensation and Position Classification System (CPCS) for GOCCS as mandated under RA 10149.

SECTION 8. Applicability to the Legislative and Judicial Branches, and Other Offices vested with fiscal autonomy. The Congress, Judiciary, Constitutional Commissions and the Office of the Ombudsman are encouraged to adopt the provisions of this EO to be eligible to the PBB.

SECTION 9. Role of the IATF in the grant of the PBB. The IATF under AO 25 shall formulate and issue the implementing guidelines for this EO. It shall provide assistance to agencies in the identification of indicators and targets and implement a validation system for agency reports and accomplishments.

The IATF under AO 25 may enlist the assistance of other agencies in the implementation of the provisions of this EO.

The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) shall issue additional implementing guidelines for SUCs.

SECTION 10. Separability Clause. If any provision of this EO is declared invalid, or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 11. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this EO, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This EO shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 20th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 81
CREATING THE MINDANAO POWER MONITORING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9136 or the “Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001” was enacted to provide a framework for the restructuring of the electric power industry, including the privatization of assets of the National Power Corporation, the transition to the desired competitive structure, and the definition of the responsibilities of various government agencies and private entities;

WHEREAS, it is the primary duty and responsibility of the State to ensure the quality, reliability, security and affordability of the supply of electric power;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9996 or the “Mindanao Development Authority Act of 2010” provided as a declared policy of the State to “address the need for a coordinated and integrated approach in the formulation and implementation of various Mindanao-wide inter-regional development plans, programs, and projects;

WHEREAS, there is a need for a coordinating body that will monitor, harmonize, and integrate recommendations on addressing the issues and carrying out specific initiatives for the Mindanao power industry sector; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Administrative Code of 1987 provides for the continuing authority of the President to reorganize the administrative structure of the Executive branch of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Creation and Mandate. There is hereby created a Mindanao Power Monitoring Committee (MPMC) to spearhead and coordinate the efforts of the national, regional and local governments, and power industry stakeholders to improve the power situation in Mindanao.

SECTION 2. Composition. The MPMC shall be headed by the Mindanao Development Authority (MinDA), with the following as members:

- a. Department of Energy (DOE);
- b. Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC);
- c. National Electrification Administration (NEA);
- d. National Power Corporation (NPC); and
- e. Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management Corporation (PSALM).

The representatives of the Mindanao Electric Power Alliance (MEPA) and Association of Mindanao Rural Electric Cooperatives (AMRECO) are likewise enjoined to become members of the MPMC.

SECTION 3. Duties and Functions. The MPMC shall have the following primary duties and functions:

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- a. Develop a database containing vital information regarding the power sector in Mindanao and other matters that may affect it;
 - b. Assess the current situation of the power sector in Mindanao and evaluate the viability of the Mindanao Power Summit recommendations;
 - c. Regularly submit reports and recommendations to the President; and
 - d. Perform such other duties and functions as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order (EO).

SECTION 4. Secretariat. MinDA shall serve as the Secretariat of MPMC and shall provide the necessary administrative support. It shall also serve as the repository of all documents and records of the MPMC.

SECTION 5. Agencies' Support. The MPMC may seek the assistance of and may call upon other government agencies, government-owned and -controlled corporations (GOCCs), and other relevant entities to assist them in the performance of their mandate under this EO.

SECTION 6. Funding. The initial funding requirement for the first year of operations of the MPMC shall be determined jointly by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and MinDA, and sourced from the Contingent Fund and such other sources as may be identified by DBM. Thereafter, the amount needed for the operation of the MPMC shall be incorporated in the regular budget of MinDA.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this EO, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. If any provision of this EO is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This EO shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 30th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 82
OPERATIONALIZING THE PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR NATIONAL CRISIS MANAGERS
AND THE NATIONAL CRISIS MANAGEMENT CORE MANUAL; ESTABLISHING
NATIONAL AND LOCAL CRISIS MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONS;
AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

WHEREAS, Sections 4 and 5 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution articulates that “it is the prime duty of the government to serve and protect the people; and that the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy”;

WHEREAS, a Memorandum from the President dated 22 March 2011 directed “the National Security Adviser (NSA) to review and revise the 2000 Crisis Management Manual, and harmonize and integrate all existing government crisis management manuals into the amended Crisis Management Manual”;

WHEREAS, the 21st century security environment is described as increasingly complex and demands a pro-active, diverse and collaborative approach among government agencies and other stakeholders in preparing for, preventing or mitigating the effects of, and recovering from crises;

WHEREAS, Situation Awareness, Strategy, Command and Control, Capability Building and Enhancement, and Post-Action and Assessment are essential elements of effective crisis management;

WHEREAS, there is a need to establish and clearly delineate authority, responsibility and accountability of crisis management organizations and Incident Command Systems from the national to the local levels;

WHEREAS, in a series of workshops conducted in July and September 2011 and March 2012 by the National Security Council Secretariat, the National Defense College of the Philippines, and the Development Academy of the Philippines, two (2) manuals for responding to and managing human-induced crises were crafted, namely:

- a. The Practical Guide for National Crisis Managers, a strategic manual, which highlights the roles and responsibilities of a National Crisis Manager or the Cabinet-Officer Primarily Responsible (C-OPR). Its contents were extracted from the National Crisis Management Core Manual and is intended for decision makers; and
- b. The National Crisis Management Core Manual (hereinafter referred to as the Core Manual), which harmonizes all government crisis management manuals by providing a general framework in detecting and responding to emerging and existing crises. The Core Manual cuts across the strategic, operational, and tactical levels of crisis management manuals and functions. It is intended for planners and provides guidelines in the agencies/departments’ preparation of operational crisis management manuals, contingency and crisis action plans.

WHEREAS, *Operational manuals* discuss agency/departmental principles and provisions, and provide functional concepts and guidelines across offices/units in the agency/department; *Contingency plans* are scenario-based plans aimed at preventing the occurrence of emerging threats/crises by addressing their root causes and implementing target hardening measures, among others. *Crisis Action plans* are specific courses of action aimed at mitigating the adverse effects and consequences of rapidly evolving or near-term outbreak/s;

WHEREAS, there is a need to designate a specific government agency, which shall ensure that copies of the approved Practical Guide for National Crisis Managers and the Core Manual are disseminated; the prescribed policies and procedures are adopted by agencies/departments/offices at all levels; and crisis response organizations adopted pursuant thereto are created/designated;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and applicable laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Core Manual shall be the overarching framework for national crisis management. All government agencies/departments from national to local shall craft and/or harmonize their respective operational manuals, contingency and crisis action plans for human-induced crises with the Core Manual. The Practical Guide for National Crisis Managers shall serve as a compact reference for Cabinet Officers Primarily Responsible (C-OPRs) or National Crisis Managers in responding to and managing human-induced crises.

SECTION 2. Crisis management organizations at all levels shall adopt the following crisis management organizations and structure prescribed in the Practical Guide for National Crisis Managers and the Core Manual. Specifically, that:

- a. The Executive Committee, National Security Council shall serve as the **Executive Committee/National Crisis Management Committee** or EXECOM/NCMC, the highest policy and decision making body in managing human-induced crises at the national level. It shall inform the President of the situation and initial actions of agencies/departments, and recommends to the President an appropriate inter-agency/department response. This senior inter-agency/department body shall be composed of the President or the Executive Secretary as Chairperson; the National Security Adviser; and Secretaries of the Departments of National Defense; Interior and Local Government; Foreign Affairs and Justice; as well as Head/s, Presidential Communications Group. Other Cabinet members, particularly, Secretaries of the Departments of Health; Finance; Trade and Industry; Energy; and Social Welfare and Development may be called upon, as Secondary Members.
- b. A **Sub-Committee, National Crisis Management Committee**, with the NSA as Chairperson, shall be created to: conduct inter-agency Horizon Scanning or scanning for and conveying strategic warnings on emerging human-induced threats/crises; recommend appropriate responses; and identify policy issues for resolution and decision making of the EXECOM/NCMC.
- c. Regional, Provincial, Municipal/City and Barangay Crisis Management Committees shall serve as the policy and decision-making bodies in managing human-induced crises at the local level.
- d. Permanent offices to handle response to and management of human-induced crises shall be designated within agencies/departments.
- e. Operational crisis management manuals, contingency and crisis action plans shall be prepared and systematically updated.

SECTION 3. The National Crisis Management Committee, all other crisis management organizations, and designated Crisis Managers and/or Cabinet Officers Primarily Responsible shall assume authority; effectively carry out functions; and take on responsibilities and accountabilities prescribed in the Practical Guide for National Crisis Managers, the Core Manual and the approved March 2011 revisions to Chapter 4 of the 2000 Crisis Management Manual. Specifically, that:

- a. The **Executive Secretary** shall be the Cabinet-Officer Primarily Responsible (C-OPR) for emerging and current:
 - i. Threats of terrorism, as Chairperson of the *Anti-Terrorism Council* created under Republic Act 9372 or the Human Security Act of 2007;
 - ii. Threats to maritime borders (inter-agency response), as Chairperson of the *National Coast Watch Council* created under Executive Order (EO) No. 57 dated 6 September 2011; and
 - iii. Threats concerning OFWs (inter-agency/department response), as Chairperson of the *Overseas Preparedness and Response Team* created under EO No. 34 dated 6 April 2011.
- b. The **Secretary of National Defense** shall be the Cabinet-Officer Primarily Responsible (C-OPR) for emerging and current:
 - i. Threats to national security, such as but not limited to revolts, mutinies, insurrections, coup d' etats, war; and
 - ii. Threats to maritime borders (intra-agency/department response as Co-Crisis Manager).
- c. The **Secretary of Interior and Local Government** shall be the Cabinet-Officer Primarily Responsible (C-OPR) for emerging and current threats to peace and order, such as civil disturbances, violent labor strikes, riots, anarchy and disorderly mass demonstrations.
- d. The **Secretary of Foreign Affairs** shall be the Cabinet-Officer Primarily Responsible (C-OPR) for emerging and current:
 - i.. Threats concerning OFWs (intra-agency/department response); and
 - ii. Threats to maritime borders (intra-agency/department response as Co-Crisis Manager).
- e. The **Secretary of Health** shall be the Cabinet-Officer Primarily Responsible (C-OPR) for emerging and current threats to public health.
- f. The **Secretaries of Finance and Trade and Industry** shall be the Cabinet-Officers Primarily Responsible (C-OPRs) for emerging and current threats to the economy.
- g. The **Secretary of Energy** shall be the Cabinet-Officer Primarily Responsible (C-OPR) for emerging and current threats to energy supply, as Chairperson of the *Inter-Agency Energy Contingency Committee (IECC)* created under Administrative Order No. 6 dated 3 March 2011.

SECTION 4. The National Crisis Management Committee, all other crisis management organizations, and their respective Crisis Managers and/or Cabinet Officers Primarily Responsible shall adopt the following concepts, processes, and procedures under the 5Ps of crisis management: Predict, Prevent, Prepare, Perform and Post Action and Assessment:

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- a. For **Predict**, a Crisis Manager, through his/her crisis management office, shall systematically conduct Horizon Scanning or scanning for emerging threats and conveying strategic warnings; and undertake Situation Awareness processes at the strategic, operational and tactical levels.
 - b. For **Prevent**, a Crisis Manager, through his/her crisis management office, shall prepare or update intra- and inter-agency contingency and crisis action plans.
 - c. For **Prepare**, a Crisis Manager, through his/her crisis management office, shall systematically undertake Prepare activities: organize, train, equip, exercise and evaluate/improve. A Crisis Manager shall also undertake capability building and enhancement activities for these Prepare procedures.
 - d. For **Perform**, a Crisis Manager, through his/her crisis management office, shall systematically determine and declare an incident as approaching crisis level. Crises must be addressed at the lowest political jurisdiction. Nonetheless, the responding local Crisis Management Committee (CMC) and the next higher level Crisis Management Committee (CMC) shall be equally responsible for determining the appropriate level of crisis response based on continuous and thorough assessment of the situation. Their assessment must consider the severity and nature of the crisis, and the capability of available forces or units and resources.

As soon as an incident is declared as approaching crisis level, the responding Crisis Manager activates the Incident Command System (ICS) and calls on the designated Incident Commander (IC). The Incident Commander reviews existing intra- and inter-agency/department contingency plans for suitability and develops a Crisis Action Plan (CAP) when no useful contingency plan exists.

- e. For **Post-Action and Assessment**, a Crisis Manager, through his/her crisis management office, shall systematically provide Post Action and Assessment Reports to the Sub-Committee, National Crisis Management Committee and the EXECOM/National Crisis Management Committee.

SECTION 5. The Office of the National Security Adviser (ONSA), as Secretariat of the EXECOM/National Crisis Management Committee, shall ensure that the purposes, intents, and objectives of this EO are complied with, specifically:

- a. That copies of the approved Practical Guide for National Crisis Managers and the Core Manual are produced and distributed from the national to the local levels;
- b. That trainings on Horizon Scanning, Situation Awareness, Inter-Agency Contingency Planning, Crisis Action Planning, and Post Action and Assessment are undertaken; and
- c. Desktop/table and/or simulation exercises are regularly conducted at various levels nationwide.

SECTION 6. Funding. An amount not exceeding **Twenty Five Million Pesos (Php25,000,000.00)** is hereby allocated from the funds of the Presidential Contingency Fund to cover the initial financial requirements of the Office of the National Security Adviser, as Secretariat, and the EXECOM/National Crisis Management Committee, to operationalize the mechanisms contained in this EO, and in undertaking programs, projects and activities specified in Section 5 of this EO. Succeeding financial requirements for this purpose shall be included in annual appropriations for the ONSA. National and local agencies/departments/offices, on the other hand, shall allocate

sufficient funds for crisis prevention and management from their respective annual budget proposals, consistent with Republic Act 10121 and the DILG-DBM Memorandum Circular 2011-1.

SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules, regulations, issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this EO are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This EO shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila this 4th day of September, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 82: Operationalizing the practical guide for National Crisis Managers and the National Crisis Management Core Manual; establishing National and Local Crisis Management Organizations; and providing funds therefor*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 83
INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE PHILIPPINE QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

WHEREAS, Section 2, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to establish, maintain and support a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society;

WHEREAS, the present Philippine Education System has a unique trifocalized education management system, basic education, technical-vocational education and training and higher education;

WHEREAS, the national agenda for inclusive growth, creation of employment opportunities and poverty reduction can only be achieved through collaboration and unity of purpose of the education and training sectors with industry;

WHEREAS, one of the key result areas (KRAs) under Executive Order (EO) No. 43, is rapid, inclusive and sustained economic growth – one that generates jobs and livelihood for, and increase the income of the poor;

WHEREAS, there are gaps in the education and labor sector brought about by poor information and the continuing disconnect between educational institutions and employment/industry trends which has brought about the mismatch in jobs and skills; and,

WHEREAS, the adoption of a qualifications framework will benefit various sectors and stakeholders of education and training, particularly in: 1) encouraging lifelong learning of individuals; 2) providing employers specific training standards and qualifications that are aligned to industry standards; 3) ensuring that training and educational institutions adhere to specific standards and are accountable for achieving the same; and 4) providing the government with common standards, taxonomy and typology of qualifications as bases for granting approvals to stakeholders.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Establishment of the Philippine Qualifications Framework. The Philippine Qualifications Framework (PQF) is hereby established with the following objectives: 1) To adopt national standards and levels for outcomes of education; 2) To support the development and maintenance of pathways and equivalencies which, provide access to qualifications and assist people to move easily and readily between the different education and training sectors and between these sectors and the labor market; and, 3) To align the PQF with international qualifications framework to support the national and international mobility of workers through increased recognition of the value and comparability of Philippine qualifications.

SECTION 2. PQF National Coordinating Committee. The PQF National Coordinating Committee is hereby created to be Chaired by the Secretary of the Department of Education (DepEd) with the following as members: a) Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA);

b) Commission on Higher Education (CHED); c) Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE); and, d) Professional Regulations Commission (PRC).

SECTION 3. Functions of the PQF National Coordinating Committee. The PQF National Coordinating Committee shall issue the Implementing Rules and Regulations within sixty days of the effectivity of this EO. It shall also provide regular feedback on the progress and accomplishments to the Office of the President with respect to the implementation of this EO.

SECTION 4. Participation of the Industry Sector. Industry sector representatives shall be consulted and tapped in the detailing and application of the PQF to ensure alignment of educational outcomes to job requirements.

SECTION 5. Level Descriptors. The PQF shall incorporate an 8-level Qualifications Descriptors defined in terms of the following: knowledge, skills and values, application, and degree of independence.

SECTION 6. Learning Standards. DepEd, TESDA and CHED shall make detailed descriptors for each qualification level based on learning standards in basic education, competency standards of training regulations, and the policies and standards of higher education academic programs. They shall jointly implement national pilot programs to determine its relevance and applicability in all levels of education.

SECTION 7. Review of Licensure Examinations. The PRC and CHED shall review the framework and contents of the licensure examinations of each of the professions and align them with that of the PQF.

SECTION 8. Technical Secretariat. To ensure efficient and effective implementation, DepEd, TESDA and CHED shall organize from their present staff complements a permanent Technical Secretariat. The Secretariat may contract the services of technical experts and authorities on relevant areas of concern such as equivalencies, accreditation, curriculum development, educational measurement and testing.

SECTION 9. Funding. The funds necessary for the implementation of the PQF shall be charged against the existing appropriations of DepEd, TESDA and CHED.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this EO are hereby revoked and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Separability Clause. If any provision of this EO is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 12. Effectivity Clause. This EO shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 83: Institutionalization of the Philippine Qualifications Framework*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 84

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE DINGALAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Dingalan in Dingalan, Aurora has been identified as one of the major ports to be developed in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Dingalan for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Dingalan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Dingalan situated in Barangay Aplaya, Municipality of Dingalan, Province of Aurora, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 53 deg. 44' W., 305.00 m. from BLLM No. 71, PLS-136, Baler Public Land Subdivision, thence:

N.	38 deg.	58'	E.,	9.60 m.	to point 2;
S.	52 deg.	42'	E.,	12.43 m.	to point 3;
N.	49 deg.	01'	E.,	78.12 m.	to point 4;
N.	61 deg.	03'	E.,	432.96 m.	to point 5;
S.	47 deg.	33'	E.,	670.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	42 deg.	27'	W.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	47 deg.	33'	W.,	800.00 m.	to point 8;
N.	42 deg.	27'	E.,	231.17 m.	to point 9;
N.	38 deg.	23'	E.,	84.58 m.	to point 10;
N.	38 deg.	12'	E.,	38.87 m.	to point 11;
N.	43 deg.	20'	E.,	60.88 m.	to point 12;
N.	48 deg.	46'	E.,	34.63 m.	to point 13;
N.	40 deg.	04'	E.,	49.88 m.	to point 14;
N.	50 deg.	09'	W.,	22.47 m.	to point 15;
N.	38 deg.	58'	E.,	2.94 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE SQUARE METERS AND TWENTY-SIX SQUARE DECIMETERS (777,851.26)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Dingalan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 84: Declaring and delineating the Dingalan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 85
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE HIMAMAYLAN PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Himamaylan in Himamaylan City, Negros Occidental is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Himamaylan for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Himamaylan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Himamaylan situated in Barangay Aguisan, City of Himamaylan, Province of Negros Occidental, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 84 deg. 15'26.4" E., 19.968 m. from LEICA GPS Control Station (HIMA-1), thence:

S.	32 deg.	29'26.2"	W.,	6.026 m.	to point 2;
S.	07 deg.	24'36.4"	W.,	45.349 m.	to point 3;
S.	10 deg.	21'01.7"	E.,	453.825 m.	to point 4;
S.	79 deg.	38'58.3"	W.,	1,000.000 m.	to point 5;
N.	10 deg.	33'01.9"	W.,	1,051.265 m.	to point 6;
N.	80 deg.	42'49.9"	E.,	1,009.596 m.	to point 7;
N.	08 deg.	28'11.1"	E.,	502.855 m.	to point 8;
S.	04 deg.	29'34.1"	E.,	16.552 m.	to point 9;
N.	81 deg.	47'11.5"	E.,	31.926 m.	to point 10;
S.	02 deg.	18'10.8"	E.,	10.941 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **ONE MILLION FORTY-TWO THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT SQUARE METERS AND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN SQUARE DECIMETERS (1,042,958.867)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Himamaylan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 85: Declaring and delineating the Himamaylan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 86
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE HINIGARAN PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Hinigaran in Hinigaran, Negros Occidental is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Hinigaran for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Hinigaran. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Hinigaran situated in the Municipality of Hinigaran, Province of Negros Occidental, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 83 deg. 41'03.9" E., 93.302 m. from LEICA GPS Control Station (HINI-1), thence:

S.	82 deg.	52'14.6"	W.,	81.457 m.	to point 2;
S.	12 deg.	41'10.8"	E.,	53.665 m.	to point 3;
S.	08 deg.	39'22.0"	E.,	65.117 m.	to point 4;
S.	07 deg.	52'18.3"	E.,	382.053 m.	to point 5;
S.	82 deg.	07'41.7"	W.,	1,000.000 m.	to point 6;
N.	07 deg.	52'18.3"	W.,	1,020.869 m.	to point 7;
N.	82 deg.	56'54.9"	E.,	1,181.892 m.	to point 8;
S.	04 deg.	46'01.5"	W.,	393.467 m.	to point 9;
S.	01 deg.	22'59.8"	W.,	122.020 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **ONE MILLION SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTEEN SQUARE METERS AND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-NINE SQUARE DECIMETERS (1,077,313.799)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Hinigaran Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 86: Declaring and delineating the Hinigaran Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 87
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CLARIN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Clarin in Clarin, Bohol is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Clarin for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Clarin. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Clarin situated in the Municipality of Clarin, Province of Bohol, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

S.	62 deg.	00'	W.,	278.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	28 deg.	00'	W.,	934.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	62 deg.	00'	E.,	437.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	28 deg.	00'	E.,	934.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	62 deg.	00'	W.,	153.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	62 deg.	00'	W.,	6.00 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **FOUR HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN (408,157.00) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Clarin Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 87: Declaring and delineating the Clarin Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 88
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE JAGNA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Jagna in Jagna, Bohol is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Jagna for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Jagna. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Jagna situated in the Municipality of Jagna, Province of Bohol, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

N.	57 deg.	30'	E.,	31.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	43 deg.	00'	E.,	62.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	53 deg.	00'	E.,	64.75 m.	to point 4;
N.	29 deg.	00'	E.,	31.50 m.	to point 5;
S.	26 deg.	30'	E.,	52.15 m.	to point 6;
N.	65 deg.	30'	E.,	77.95 m.	to point 7;
N.	70 deg.	26'	E.,	127.00 m.	to point 8;
N.	23 deg.	45'	W.,	17.81 m.	to point 9;
N.	59 deg.	41'	E.,	65.34 m.	to point 10;
N.	58 deg.	20'	E.,	41.63 m.	to point 11;
S.	79 deg.	44'	E.,	29.00 m.	to point 12;
S.	34 deg.	00'	E.,	410.00 m.	to point 13;
S.	56 deg.	00'	W.,	850.00 m.	to point 14;
N.	34 deg.	00'	W.,	503.52 m.	to point 15;
N.	25 deg.	00'	E.,	199.27 m.	to point 16;
N.	56 deg.	00'	E.,	100.00 m.	to point 17;
N.	86 deg.	30'	E.,	35.00 m.	to point 18;
N.	86 deg.	30'	E.,	85.00 m.	to point 19;
N.	03 deg.	30'	W.,	11.50 m.	to point 20;
N.	63 deg.	45'	E.,	8.50 m.	to point 21;
N.	46 deg.	00'	E.,	8.00 m.	to point 22;
N.	09 deg.	00'	E.,	8.00 m.	to point 23;
N.	31 deg.	00'	W.,	10.00 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE SQUARE METERS AND NINETY SQUARE DECIMETERS (464,639.90)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Jagna Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 88: Declaring and delineating the Jagna port zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 89
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE GETAFE PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Getafe in Getafe, Bohol is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Getafe for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Getafe. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Getafe situated in the Municipality of Getafe, Province of Bohol, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

DUE EAST	500.00 m.	to point 2;
DUE NORTH	1,000.00 m.	to point 3;
DUE WEST	1,000.00 m.	to point 4;
DUE SOUTH	1,000.00 m.	to point 5;
DUE EAST	500.00 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **ONE MILLION (1,000,000.00) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Getafe Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 89: Declaring and delineating the Getafe Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 90
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE TALIBON PORT ZONE UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Port of Talibon in Talibon, Bohol is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Talibon for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Talibon. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Talibon situated in the Municipality of Talibon, Province of Bohol, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

N.	58 deg.	00'	W.,	295.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	32 deg.	00'	E.,	990.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	58 deg.	00'	E.,	600.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	32 deg.	00'	W.,	990.00 m.	to point 5;
N.	58 deg.	00'	W.,	295.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	32 deg.	00'	W.,	110.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	58 deg.	00'	W.,	10.00 m.	to point 8;
N.	32 deg.	00'	E.,	110.00 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED (595,100.00) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Talibon Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 90: Declaring and delineating the Talibon Port Zone under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 91
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE TAPAL PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Tapal in Ubay, Bohol is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Tapal for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Tapal. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Tapal situated in Barangay Tapal, Municipality of Ubay, Province of Bohol, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

N.	35 deg.	00'	W.,	495.50 m.	to point 2;
N.	56 deg.	45'	E.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	35 deg.	00'	E.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	56 deg.	45'	W.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 5;
N.	35 deg.	00'	W.,	495.50 m.	to point 6;
N.	35 deg.	00'	W.,	9.00 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **ONE MILLION (1,000,000.00) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Tapal Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 91: Declaring and delineating the Tapal Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 92
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE LILOAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Liloan in Liloan, Southern Leyte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Liloan for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Liloan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Liloan situated in the Municipality of Liloan, Province of Southern Leyte, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 30 deg. 37' E., 178.66 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cad 654-D, Liloan Cadastre, thence:

S.	38 deg.	10'	W.,	19.95 m.	to point 2;
S.	49 deg.	12'	W.,	10.91 m.	to point 3;
N.	44 deg.	42'	W.,	34.51 m.	to point 4;
N.	14 deg.	19'	W.,	18.84 m.	to point 5;
N.	03 deg.	19'	E.,	145.74 m.	to point 6;
N.	20 deg.	37'	E.,	47.20 m.	to point 7;
	DUE NORTH			500.00 m.	to point 8;
	DUE EAST			884.78 m.	to point 9;
	DUE SOUTH			228.31 m.	to point 10;
S.	21 deg.	57'	W.,	74.30 m.	to point 11;
S.	63 deg.	29'	E.,	49.57 m.	to point 12;
S.	44 deg.	06'	W.,	20.26 m.	to point 13;
S.	30 deg.	25'	W.,	41.63 m.	to point 14;
S.	16 deg.	05'	W.,	57.06 m.	to point 15;
S.	18 deg.	52'	W.,	17.07 m.	to point 16;
S.	19 deg.	17'	E.,	25.04 m.	to point 17;
S.	82 deg.	17'	W.,	144.67 m.	to point 18;
S.	51 deg.	42'	W.,	21.05 m.	to point 19;
S.	77 deg.	37'	W.,	26.12 m.	to point 20;
S.	50 deg.	07'	W.,	15.69 m.	to point 21;
S.	65 deg.	45'	W.,	11.93 m.	to point 22;

S.	38 deg.	35'	W.,	32.82 m.	to point 23;
S.	12 deg.	20'	W.,	30.00 m.	to point 24;
S.	59 deg.	03'	W.,	310.80 m.	to point 25;
S.	68 deg.	39'	W.,	198.94 m.	to point 26;
N.	76 deg.	24'	W.,	44.48 m.	to point 27;
S.	89 deg.	38'	W.,	36.90 m.	to point 28;
N.	59 deg.	36'	W.,	57.38 m.	to point 29;
N.	40 deg.	45'	W.,	6.59 m.	to point 30;
S.	48 deg.	56'	W.,	17.00 m.	to point 31;
N.	40 deg.	16'	W.,	19.91 m.	to point 32;
N.	49 deg.	30'	E.,	23.65 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX (575,656) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Liloan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 93
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BALINGOAN PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Balingoan in Balingoan, Misamis Oriental is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Balingoan for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Balingoan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Balingoan situated in the Municipality of Balingoan, Province of Misamis Oriental, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 86 deg. 34' W., 454.70 m. from BLLM No. 1, CAD 703-D, Balingoan Cadastre, thence:

W.	73 deg.	07'	W.,	18.90 m.	to point 2;
N.	75 deg.	50'	W.,	102.11 m.	to point 3;
S.	79 deg.	07'	W.,	105.91 m.	to point 4;
	DUE NORTH			450.00 m.	to point 5;
	DUE EAST			475.00 m.	to point 6;
	DUE SOUTH			482.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	89 deg.	19'	W.,	83.01 m.	to point 8;
S.	82 deg.	45'	W.,	118.95 m.	to point 9;
N.	75 deg.	04'	W.,	31.05 m.	to point 10;
N.	18 deg.	26'	E.,	15.81 m.	to point 11;
N.	05 deg.	53'	W.,	8.49 m.	to point 12;
N.	77 deg.	22'	W.,	27.71 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE (221,125.00) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Balingoan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 94

DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BALBAGON PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Balbagon in Mambajao, Camiguin is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port Zone of Balbagon for the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Balbagon. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Balbagon situated in Barangay Balbagon, Municipality of Mambajao, Province of Camiguin, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 72 deg. 08' E., 2,515.13 m. from BLLM No. 1, CAD 473, Mambajao Cadastre, thence:

N.	48 deg.	32'	W.,	18.31 m.	to point 2;
N.	44 deg.	14'	E.,	30.42 m.	to point 3;
N.	48 deg.	30'	W.,	81.20 m.	to point 4;
N.	52 deg.	35'	W.,	76.15 m.	to point 5;
N.	47 deg.	00'	E.,	500.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	43 deg.	00'	E.,	385.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	46 deg.	47'	W.,	466.22 m.	to point 8;
N.	52 deg.	19'	W.,	70.35 m.	to point 9;
N.	44 deg.	23'	W.,	125.41 m.	to point 10;
S.	46 deg.	29'	W.,	25.70 m.	to point 11;
N.	43 deg.	02'	W.,	3.28 m.	to point 12;
N.	50 deg.	50'	W.,	13.43 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE (186,859.00) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Balbagon Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 95
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE NEW SAN JOSE (CAMINAWIT) PORT ZONE
AND PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of San Jose in San Jose, Occidental Mindoro is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to develop a new San Jose Port (Caminawit) due to the siltation problem in the old port and to accommodate big vessels and projected port traffic and program the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of San Jose. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of San Jose (Caminawit) situated in the Municipality of San Jose, Province of Occidental Mindoro, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 23 deg. 12' E., 2,031.65 m. from BBM No. 6, Barangay Caminawit, San Jose, thence:

S.	77 deg.	56'	E.,	152.46 m.	to point 2;
S.	83 deg.	16'	E.,	6.15 m.	to point 3;
S.	67 deg.	08'	E.,	88.45 m.	to point 4;
N.	37 deg.	38'	E.,	212.47 m.	to point 5;
S.	66 deg.	30'	E.,	181.07 m.	to point 6;
S.	05 deg.	23'	E.,	51.41 m.	to point 7;
S.	19 deg.	13'	W.,	1,150.70 m.	to point 8;
N.	71 deg.	27'	W.,	1,000.07 m.	to point 9;
N.	19 deg.	13'	E.,	1,000.07 m.	to point 10;
S.	71 deg.	27'	E.,	479.42 m.	to point 11;
S.	77 deg.	24'	E.,	6.02 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **ONE MILLION FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT SQUARE METERS AND EIGHTY-SEVEN SQUARE DECIMETERS (1,051,368.87)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The San Jose (Caminawit) Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional

industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 96

DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE GUIMBAL PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Guimbal in Iloilo is one of the major ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to delineate the Port of Guimbal to accommodate projected increases in port traffic and to program the development of the necessary port facilities to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Guimbal. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Guimbal situated in Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of Guimbal, Province of Iloilo, is hereby delineated, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 16 deg. 23'55" E., 489.81 m. from BLLM 1A, ILO-56 Guimbal Cadastre, thence:

N.	64 deg.	23'	E.,	150.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	74 deg.	10'	E.,	350.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	25 deg.	37'	E.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	67 deg.	48'	W.,	996.68 m.	to point 5;
N.	25 deg.	37'	W.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 6;
N.	64 deg.	23'	E.,	500.00 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **ONE MILLION FOURTEEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-SEVEN SQUARE METERS AND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE SQUARE DECIMETERS (1,014,237.159)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Guimbal Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 97

REVOKING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 523 (S. 2006) AND CONFERRING UPON THE OFFICE FOR ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION THE MANAGEMENT, DEVELOPMENT, COORDINATION, AND OVERSIGHT OF ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROGRAMS IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article III of the Constitution guarantees the right of all persons to a speedy disposition of their cases before all judicial, quasi-judicial or administrative bodies;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 9285, or the Alternative Dispute Resolution Act of 2004 (ADR Act of 2004), declares that it is the policy of the State to actively promote and encourage the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR);

WHEREAS, the use of ADR has been proven to be effective in amicably and speedily resolving disputes filed before judicial or quasi-judicial bodies and administrative agencies;

WHEREAS, there is a need to promote the use of ADR to achieve speedy resolution of disputes before the agencies under the Executive Department;

WHEREAS, the ADR Act of 2004 created the Office for Alternative Dispute Resolution (OADR), an attached agency of the Department of Justice (DOJ), to, *inter alia*, promote, develop, and expand the use of ADR in the private and public sectors; assist the government to monitor, study, and evaluate the use of ADR by the public and private sectors; and recommend to Congress necessary statutory changes to develop, strengthen, and improve ADR practices in accordance with world standards;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 523 (s. 2006), entitled “Instituting the Use of Alternative Dispute Resolution in the Executive Department of the Government” vested upon the Office of the President (OP) the management and development of ADR practice in the executive agencies;

WHEREAS, with the establishment of the OADR pursuant to Sections 49 and 50 of the ADR Act 2004 and the issuance of its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) on 4 December 2009, it is now necessary to transfer to the OADR all authority over the development, management, and oversight of ADR programs and services in all agencies under the Executive Department;

WHEREAS, public interest requires that the delivery of ADR services to the public by government agencies adheres to the highest standards of competence, professionalism, integrity, and internationally accepted best practices;

WHEREAS, it is imperative that each agency under the Executive Department regularly submit to the OADR reports, information, feedback, and recommendations on the status of their respective ADR programs, plans, and policies in order for the OADR to fulfil its duty to coordinate the development, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of government ADR programs; and

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of EO No. 292, or the Administrative Code of 1987, vests on the President the continuing authority to reorganize the Executive Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Authority of the OADR. All powers, functions, and duties previously vested by EO No. 523 upon OP over the development, use, implementation, promotion, monitoring, coordination, expansion, evaluation, and study of ADR programs and services in the Executive Branch, including all its departments, administrative offices, quasi-judicial agencies, and government-owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs) (hereinafter collectively referred to as agencies), are hereby transferred to the OADR.

Such ADR services and programs shall include, but not be limited to, providing dispute resolution services; conducting ADR trainings; engaging in program and system design; and, managing, overseeing or administering ADR programs.

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions. Pursuant to the powers and functions provided for in Sections 49 and 50 of the ADR Act of 2004 and its IRRs, the OADR shall oversee, monitor, coordinate, and evaluate the development of ADR programs and services in all agencies. In the exercise of this authority, the OADR shall:

- a) Coordinate and oversee the development of rules, regulations, and procedures to define and implement ADR policies;
- b) Provide guidelines for the training, accreditation, monitoring, and evaluation of ADR providers and practitioners to ensure adherence to the highest professional and ethical standards;
- c) Provide guidelines for the establishment, design, management, conduct, and monitoring of ADR programs to streamline, improve, and render more efficient the delivery of dispute resolution services in conformity with internationally accepted best practices;
- d) Monitor and evaluate the use of ADR by agencies, and require compliance with any standards or guidelines issued by the OADR;
- e) Require agencies to establish and approve ADR programs or require changes to existing ADR programs to conform to standards or guidelines issued by the OADR;
- f) Require agencies to provide information regarding current or planned ADR program as well as copies of ADR decisions, awards or settlements issued or approved by these agencies or the courts, subject to such guidelines as the OADR may issue to protect the confidentiality of ADR proceedings and the parties thereto;
- g) Coordinate with and request information from the Judicial Department or any of its courts with regard to court-annexed ADR programs;
- h) Prepare annual reports on the status of ADR use in agencies, and cause its publication in the OADR website;
- i) Assist agencies in providing training resources for the development and the use of ADR; and,
- j) Perform such other functions as may be necessary or appropriate to carry into effect the purpose of this order.

SECTION 3. Use of Alternative Modes of Dispute Resolution. All agencies shall continue to promote the use of alternative modes of dispute resolution such as, but not limited to, arbitration, mediation, conciliation, and early neutral evaluation as part of their practice in resolving disputes filed before them.

SECTION 4. Mandatory Submission of Reports to the OADR. Within three (3) months from the effectivity of this Order, each agency shall submit a status report to the OADR on the following:

- a) Designation of a senior official and an alternate responsible for developing, coordinating, and managing ADR programs and/or other ADR related activities in their respective offices; and,
- b) Compliance with the directives under Section 4 of EO No. 523, including the particulars of any such ADR program that may have been implemented in their respective offices in the meantime.

Thereafter, all agencies shall, once every six (6) months or within such other period as the OADR may determine, continue to submit periodic reports and provide data on their respective ADR programs as may be required by the OADR.

SECTION 5. Contents of regular reports of agencies. To assist the OADR in coordinating, monitoring, and evaluating the use of ADR in the public sector and to recommend to Congress such changes as may be made to ADR laws, the agencies shall, as part of their regular progress reports to the OADR, periodically review their ADR processes and recommend to the OADR the following:

- a) Specific procedures to reduce delay in decision-making; institutionalize the use of ADR process prior to litigation; facilitate self-representation; and, expand non-lawyer counselling and representation where appropriate;
- b) Any necessary changes to existing laws to develop, strengthen, and improve ADR practices in their respective agencies in order to encourage the settlement or resolution of the disputes at the agency level so as to minimize the necessity of seeking court relief;
- c) Specific proposals regarding the establishment, management, monitoring or improvement of ADR programs and policies, and the training, accreditation, and assessment of ADR providers in their respective agencies; and,
- d) Such other programs, standards, guidelines or practices as may be required or expedient to implement the basic policy of the law to actively promote party autonomy in the resolution of disputes and encourage and actively promote the use of ADR.

SECTION 6. Submission of Annual Report to the President. The OADR shall regularly submit to the President, through the Executive Secretary, an Annual Report on the policies, programs, and activities relative to the implementation of this Order.

SECTION 7. Funding. Agencies shall include in their proposed annual budget an allocation for the development, management, and operation of their respective ADR programs. Funding for such programs shall be included in the yearly appropriations of each agency.

SECTION 8. Non-applicability to the Katarungang Pambarangay System. This Order shall not apply to the management, oversight, and implementation of the Katarungang Pambarangay System, and shall not be interpreted to repeal, amend or modify the jurisdiction of the Katarungang Pambarangay System under Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the “Local Government Code of 1991.” This notwithstanding, all ADR training programs relative to Katarungang Pambarangay System shall be submitted to the OADR for prior approval.

SECTION 9. Jurisdiction of OADR in ADR activities outside the Executive Department. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting the jurisdiction, authority, powers, and functions of the OADR as set forth in Sections 49 and 50 of the ADR Act and Articles 2.2 and 2.3 of its IRRs such

as, but not limited to, the promotion, development, and expansion of the use of ADR in the private sector, to the extent provided by law.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. This Order revokes E.O. No. 523 (s. 2006) and other executive and administrative orders and issuances inconsistent herewith.

SECTION 11. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 18th day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 97: Revoking Executive Order No. 523 (s. 2006) and conferring upon the office for alternative dispute resolution the management, development, coordination, and oversight of alternative dispute resolution programs in the Executive Department, and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 98
PROMULGATING THE NINTH REGULAR FOREIGN INVESTMENT NEGATIVE LIST

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 7042, also known as the “Foreign Investments Act of 1991,” as amended by RA 8179, provides for the formulation of a Regular Foreign Investment Negative List, covering investment areas/activities which may be opened to foreign investors and/or reserved to Filipino nationals; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to formulate the Ninth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List, replacing the Eight Regular Foreign Investment Negative List, to reflect changes to List A pursuant to existing laws and upon recommendation of concerned agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Ninth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List. Only the investment areas and/or activities listed in the Annex hereof shall be reserved to Philippine nationals, and hereafter shall be referred to as the Ninth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List. The extent of foreign equity participation in these areas shall be limited to the percentages indicated in the List.

SECTION 2. Amendments. Amendments to List A may be made at any time to reflect changes instituted in specific laws while amendments to List B shall not be made more often than once every two years, pursuant to Section 8 of RA 7042, as amended, and its revised implementing rules and regulations.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 29th day of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 98: Promulgating the Ninth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 99

RECONSTITUTING THE OFFICE OF THE CABINET SECRETARIAT, RENAMING IT AS
THE OFFICE OF THE CABINET SECRETARY, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS,
PROVIDING FOR ITS SUPPORT STAFF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution vests executive power in the President of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the President's executive power includes the power of control of all the executive departments, bureaus and offices as provided under Section 17, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution;

WHEREAS, the post of Cabinet Secretary was created on 22 December 1986, with the rank and emolument of a Member of the Cabinet, to provide support for the President, facilitate the exchange of information, as well as the discussion and resolution of issues, and act as a coordinator and integrator of the initiatives of the President;

WHEREAS, the Administration is committed to the implementation of the President's Social Contract with the Filipino People, a sixteen-point agenda that lays down the vision of government in the different priority areas of development;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2011-2016, grounded on the Social Contract, translated our administration's medium-term priorities into specific goals, strategies, programs and projects;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 43 (s. 2011) reorganized the Cabinet Clusters to orient and direct its programs, projects, and activities around key result areas of the Social Contract towards the attainment of priority development goals,

WHEREAS, Administrative Order (AO) No. 25 (s. 2011) established an Inter-Agency Task Force to provide oversight and integrate the Results Based Performance Management System (RBPMS) across all agencies within the Executive Branch of government;

WHEREAS, there is a need to operationalize the outputs of the Inter-Agency Task Force created under AO 25 to strengthen and more closely monitor the delivery of the identified targets to ensure that these translate into outcomes that directly and positively impact on the lives of the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the President shall have continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and law, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Reconstituting and Renaming the Office of the Cabinet Secretariat. The Office of the Cabinet Secretariat is hereby reconstituted and renamed as the Office of the Cabinet Secretary. The Office of the Cabinet Secretary is an integral part of the Office of the President for the effective integration and implementation of the programs of the Administration.

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions. To carry out its mandate, the Office of the Cabinet Secretary shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Facilitate the identification of a list of priority areas and outcome-based targets in the Social Contract and PDP 2011-2016, in consultation with the Cabinet Clusters, for final approval of the President;
- b. Recommend to the President an annual detailed and measurable performance and projects roadmap that will facilitate outputs of the targets against priorities, in close coordination with the concerned agencies;
- c. Ensure the timely execution and monitor the significant impact of the targets under the annual performance and projects roadmap, and re-align targets when needed;
- d. Represent the President in meetings and such other fora in order to expedite inter-agency action towards the achievement of the targets identified in the performance and projects roadmap;
- e. Assist in providing timely and organized information to the Cabinet on issues and problems submitted for decision and action; and
- f. Perform such other functions as may be necessary and incidental to the attainment of its objectives or as may be assigned by the President.

The functions of the Inter-Agency Task Force created under AO 25 are hereby transferred to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary. For this purpose, the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) shall serve as technical resource institution to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary.

SECTION 3. Membership in Cabinet Clusters. For the effective discharge of the functions under this Order, EO 43 is hereby amended to include the Cabinet Secretary as Member of all the Cabinet Clusters created therein.

SECTION 4. Other Memberships. The Cabinet Secretary shall likewise be a member of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board Executive Committee and the following NEDA Board Committees:

- a. Investment Coordination Committee (ICC);
- b. Social Development Committee (SDC); and
- c. Infrastructure Committee (InfraCom).

SECTION 5. Organizational Setup and Staff Complement. The Office of the Cabinet Secretary shall be headed by the Cabinet Secretary, with the rank and emoluments of a Member of the Cabinet. The Cabinet Secretary shall be under the control and supervision of, and shall report directly to, the President.

The Cabinet Secretary shall submit the position structure and staffing pattern for the technical and support staff of the Office of the Cabinet Secretary for approval of the President.

SECTION 6. Attached Agencies. For policy direction and coordination, the supervision and monitoring of the following offices attached to the Office of the President shall be directly under the Office of the Cabinet Secretary:

- a. Relevant offices in the Presidential Management Staff (PMS) which shall be identified by the Cabinet Secretary and the PMS Head;
 - b. Performance and Projects Management Office; and
 - c. Such other attached agencies that may later be identified by the President.
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SECTION 7. Performance and Projects Management Office. To facilitate the implementation of the Performance and Projects Roadmap defined under this Executive Order, there is hereby created the Performance and Projects Management Office (PPMO) which shall be primarily responsible for putting in place and driving a systematic approach to, and delivering results relative to the Performance and Projects Roadmap.

SECTION 8. Performance and Projects Roadmap. The Performance and Projects Roadmap is a master plan of critical targets including identified annual deliverables and shall be aligned with the Administration's Social Contract with the Filipino people and the PDP 2011-2016.

SECTION 9. Functions of the PPMO. The PPMO shall perform the following functions:

- a. Facilitate the crafting and formulation of a comprehensive Performance and Projects Roadmap based on the list of priority areas and outcome-based targets in the Social Contract and PDP 2011-2016;
- b. Coordinate with all concerned agencies and bureaus for the efficient management and timely implementation of the programs and targets under the Performance and Projects Roadmap;
- c. Consolidate and gather performance reports and other relevant data needed in the implementation of the Performance and Projects Roadmap;
- d. Institutionalize and implement monitoring and evaluation guidelines for the accomplishment of targets and implementation of programs under the Performance and Projects Roadmap;
- e. Conduct periodic review and assessment of the Performance and Projects Roadmap in coordination with the concerned agencies and bureaus;
- f. Regularly report to the President, through the Cabinet Secretary, the actual performance of each agency versus their set targets; and
- g. Perform such other functions as may be directed by the President through the Cabinet Secretary.

SECTION 10. Organizational Setup and Staff Complement of PPMO. The PPMO shall be headed by an Executive Director, with a rank of an Undersecretary, who shall be under the control and supervision of, and shall report directly to, the Cabinet Secretary. The Executive Director shall be assisted by two (2) Assistant Secretaries and five (5) Directors.

The Executive Director, two (2) Assistant Secretaries, and five (5) Directors shall be appointed by the President upon the recommendation of the Cabinet Secretary.

SECTION 11. Assistance from and Coordination with Government Agencies. The Office of the Cabinet Secretary may call upon any agency of the Government for such assistance as may be necessary in the performance of its functions. All heads of departments, agencies, bureaus, offices, including government-owned or -controlled corporations (GOCCs) shall render full and timely assistance and cooperation to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary and provide such information and data as may be required to carry out its functions.

For this purpose, all departments, agencies, bureaus, offices, including GOCCs shall designate a focal person to closely coordinate with the Office of the Cabinet Secretary. The designated focal person shall have a rank not lower than that of a bureau director, or preferably an Assistant Secretary. The Inter-Agency Task Force created under Administrative Order No. 25 (s. 2012) shall provide a copy of its recommendation on the RBPMS to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary.

SECTION 12. Funding Support. The funds to support the initial operations of the Office of the Cabinet Secretary, including the PPMO, shall be sourced from the Contingent Fund. The succeeding years' appropriations for the said office shall be prepared in accordance with regular government budget procedures.

SECTION 13. Implementing Rules. The Cabinet Secretary is hereby authorized to issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this Executive Order. The Cabinet Secretary is hereby designated to determine the functional divisions of the offices, agencies, and bureaus herein mentioned under his control and supervision.

SECTION 14. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 15. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order shall be held unconstitutional, the remainder not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 16. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 31st day of October, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 99: Reconstituting the Office of the Cabinet Secretariat, renaming it as the Office of the Cabinet Secretary, defining its powers and functions, providing for its support staff and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 100
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CURRIMAO PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Currimao in Currimao, Ilocos Norte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Currimao for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Currimao. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Currimao situated in the Municipality of Currimao, Province of Ilocos Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

N.	35 deg.	00'	E.,	975.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	55 deg.	00'	W.,	1,700.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	35 deg.	00'	W.,	975.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	55 deg.	00'	E.,	1,700.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (1,657,500) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Currimao Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 100: Declaring and delineating the Currimaog Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 101
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CAPINPIN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Capinpin in Orion, Bataan has the potential to be developed into a major port within the Manila Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Capinpin for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Capinpin. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Capinpin situated in Barangay Puting Buhangin, Municipality of Orion, Province of Bataan, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 20 deg. 12' E., 4,282.71 m. from BLLM No. 1, Orion Bataan, thence:

S.	53 deg.	53'	W.,	18.03 m.	to point 2;
N.	40 deg.	59'	W.,	33.88 m.	to point 3;
N.	29 deg.	39'	W.,	46.12 m.	to point 4;
N.	31 deg.	18'	W.,	375.58 m.	to point 5;
N.	51 deg.	30'	E.,	582.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	39 deg.	29'	E.,	969.51 m.	to point 7;
S.	51 deg.	30'	W.,	705.00 m.	to point 8;
N.	43 deg.	09'	W.,	72.92 m.	to point 9;
N.	56 deg.	52'	W.,	51.64 m.	to point 10;
N.	10 deg.	31'	W.,	218.44 m.	to point 11;
N.	30 deg.	06'	W.,	55.80 m.	to point 12;
N.	07 deg.	58'	W.,	46.42 m.	to point 13;
N.	30 deg.	19'	W.,	8.68 m.	to point 14;
N.	82 deg.	06'	W.,	33.84 m.	to point 15;
N.	52 deg.	28'	W.,	75.96 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **SIX HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE SQUARE METERS AND FORTY-ONE SQUARE DECIMETERS (617,323.41)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Capinpin Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 101: Declaring and delineating the Capinpin Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of The Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 102
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CAWAYAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Cawayan in Cawayan, Masbate is being proposed for development;
and

WHEREAS, the development of the said port will promote rapid development of the areas concerned through improved trade, commerce and tourism activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Cawayan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Cawayan situated in Barangay Mahayahay, Municipality of Cawayan, Province of Masbate, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 68 deg. 22'56" W., 1,902.32 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cawayan, Masbate Cadastre, thence:

S.	85 deg.	14'17"	E.,	18.46 m.	to point 2;
S.	41 deg.	55'06"	W.,	26.61 m.	to point 3;
S.	24 deg.	55'25"	W.,	77.65 m.	to point 4;
S.	14 deg.	34'11"	W.,	49.02 m.	to point 5;
S.	05 deg.	22'29"	E.,	70.84 m.	to point 6;
S.	07 deg.	43'43"	E.,	87.06 m.	to point 7;
S.	79 deg.	18'47"	E.,	490.88 m.	to point 8;
S.	14 deg.	06'13"	W.,	1,013.00 m.	to point 9;
N.	78 deg.	51'10"	W.,	994.08 m.	to point 10;
N.	12 deg.	42'04"	E.,	913.00 m.	to point 11;
S.	88 deg.	55'56"	E.,	525.42 m.	to point 12;
N.	07 deg.	46'50"	W.,	86.97 m.	to point 13;
N.	05 deg.	10'57"	W.,	72.06 m.	to point 14;
N.	14 deg.	34'11"	E.,	53.58 m.	to point 15;
N.	24 deg.	56'11"	E.,	79.15 m.	to point 16;
N.	38 deg.	47'13"	E.,	18.89 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE MILLION SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTEEN SQUARE METERS AND SEVEN HUNDRED NINETY-NINE SQUARE DECIMETERS (1,077,313.799)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Cawayan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 102: Declaring and delineating the Cawayan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 103
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE DANAOS (ESCALANTE) PORT ZONE
AND PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Danao in Escalante, Negros Occidental is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Danao for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Danao. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Danao situated in the Municipality of Escalante, Province of Negros Occidental, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 59 deg. 01' E., 893.94 m. from BLLM No. 16, Escalante Cadastre, thence:

S.	79 deg.	30'	E.,	200.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	10 deg.	30'	W.,	300.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	79 deg.	30'	W.,	177.92 m.	to point 4;
N.	10 deg.	56'	W.,	57.49 m.	to point 5;
N.	56 deg.	22'	W.,	331.99 m.	to point 6;
N.	10 deg.	30'	E.,	119.65 m.	to point 7;
S.	80 deg.	00'	E.,	250.00 m.	to point 8;
S.	56 deg.	00'	E.,	14.00 m.	to point 9;
S.	79 deg.	14'	E.,	41.39 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY SQUARE METERS AND NINETY-FOUR SQUARE DECIMETERS (115,670.94)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Danao Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 103: Declaring and delineating the Danao (Escalante) Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 104
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE UBAY PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Ubay in Ubay, Bohol is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Ubay for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Ubay. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Ubay situated in the Municipality of Ubay, Province of Bohol, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

	DUE WEST			8.94 m.	to point 2;
N.	26 deg.	29'	E.,	133.40 m.	to point 3;
N.	63 deg.	31'	W.,	60.20 m.	to point 4;
N.	26 deg.	29'	E.,	40.00 m.	to point 5;
N.	63 deg.	31'	W.,	204.80 m.	to point 6;
N.	26 deg.	29'	E.,	693.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	63 deg.	31'	E.,	550.00 m.	to point 8;
S.	26 deg.	29'	W.,	721.00 m.	to point 9;
N.	63 deg.	31'	W.,	267.00 m.	to point 10;
S.	26 deg.	29'	W.,	150.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-THREE SQUARE METERS AND THIRTY-FIVE SQUARE DECIMETERS (385,493.35)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Ubay Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 104: Declaring and delineating the Ubay Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 105
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CALUBIAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Calubian in Calubian, Leyte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Calubian for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Calubian. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Calubian situated in the Municipality of Calubian, Province of Leyte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 62 deg. 20' E., 108.33 m. from BLLM No. 1, thence:

N.	34 deg.	10'	W.,	216.59 m.	to point 2;
S.	54 deg.	02'	W.,	48.29 m.	to point 3;
N.	35 deg.	43'	W.,	28.42 m.	to point 4;
S.	87 deg.	36'	W.,	9.76 m.	to point 5;
N.	33 deg.	57'	W.,	78.47 m.	to point 6;
N.	44 deg.	48'	W.,	46.33 m.	to point 7;
N.	59 deg.	55'	W.,	40.07 m.	to point 8;
N.	71 deg.	21'	W.,	106.83 m.	to point 9;
N.	66 deg.	23'	W.,	150.31 m.	to point 10;
N.	55 deg.	52'	E.,	1,357.67 m.	to point 11;
S.	34 deg.	10'	E.,	620.00 m.	to point 12;
S.	55 deg.	50'	W.,	1,130.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVEN (746,307) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Calubian Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 105: Declaring and delineating the Calubian Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 106
FURTHER EXPANDING THE DELINEATED BENONI PORT ZONE

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 458 (s. 2005) declared and delineated the Benoni Port Zone and placed it under the administrative jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA);

WHEREAS, with the strategic location of the Port of Benoni, which links the island of Mindanao to the rest of the country through the Central Nautical Highway, a significant growth in both vessel and passenger traffic was recorded; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to expand the delineated Benoni Port Zone to accommodate the projected increase in port traffic and program the development and provision of appropriate facilities in support of regional trade and commerce.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Benoni. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Benoni situated in Barangay Benoni, Municipality of Mahinog, Province of Camiguin, is hereby further expanded and delineated as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 19 deg. 34'49" E., 1,684.20 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-1103, Mahinog, Camiguin, thence:

N.	27 deg.	10'	E.,	42.71 m.	to point 2;
N.	38 deg.	56'	E.,	100.26 m.	to point 3;
N.	30 deg.	28'	E.,	19.72 m.	to point 4;
N.	34 deg.	42'	E.,	15.81 m.	to point 5;
N.	10 deg.	37'	E.,	24.42 m.	to point 6;
	DUE EAST			357.50 m.	to point 7;
	DUE SOUTH			601.00 m.	to point 8;
	DUE WEST			300.00 m.	to point 9;
S.	53 deg.	08'	W.,	104.17 m.	to point 10;
N.	62 deg.	04'	W.,	46.85 m.	to point 11;
N.	55 deg.	31'	W.,	13.03 m.	to point 12;
N.	45 deg.	46'	W.,	20.44 m.	to point 13;
N.	33 deg.	44'	W.,	81.27 m.	to point 14;
N.	25 deg.	54'	W.,	52.42 m.	to point 15;
N.	19 deg.	46'	W.,	55.99 m.	to point 16;
N.	18 deg.	31'	W.,	47.33 m.	to point 17;
N.	13 deg.	05'	W.,	15.22 m.	to point 18;
N.	07 deg.	53'	W.,	18.20 m.	to point 19;

N.	01 deg.	46'	E.,	12.96 m.	to point 20;
N.	07 deg.	51'	E.,	26.46 m.	to point 21;
N.	20 deg.	22'	E.,	26.36 m.	to point 22;
N.	32 deg.	57'	E.,	25.43 m.	to point 23;
N.	29 deg.	28'	E.,	137.25 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **TWO HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT SQUARE METERS AND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-TWO SQUARE DECIMETERS (298,828.142)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Benoni Port Zone, as expanded and delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 106: Further expanding the delineated Benoni Port Zone*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 107
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE KOLAMBUGAN PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Kolambugan in Kolambugan, Lanao del Norte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Kolambugan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Kolambugan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Kolambugan situated in the Municipality of Kolambugan, Province of Lanao del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 73 deg. 23' W., 198.06 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-89, thence:

N.	32 deg.	42'	W.,	3.55 m.	to point 2;
N.	07 deg.	10'	W.,	22.04 m.	to point 3;
N.	07 deg.	00'	W.,	100.00 m.	to point 4;
	DUE SOUTH			350.00 m.	to point 5;
N.	07 deg.	00'	W.,	700.00 m.	to point 6;
N.	83 deg.	00'	E.,	700.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	07 deg.	00'	E.,	785.00 m.	to point 8;
S.	79 deg.	11'	W.,	288.86 m.	to point 9;
S.	08 deg.	01'	E.,	50.00 m.	to point 10;
S.	75 deg.	58'	W.,	55.93 m.	to point 11;
S.	08 deg.	29'	E.,	6.84 m.	to point 12;
S.	83 deg.	12'	W.,	8.52 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT (534,968) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Kolambugan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 107: Declaring and delineating the Kolambugan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 108

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE TUBOD PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Tubod in Tubod, Lanao del Norte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Tubod for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Tubod. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Tubod situated in the Municipality of Tubod, Province of Lanao del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 54 deg. 18' W., 452.21 m. from BLLM No. 157, PLS-13, thence:

S.	64 deg.	11'	E.,	17.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	00 deg.	26'	E.,	11.20 m.	to point 3;
S.	00 deg.	26'	E.,	44.77 m.	to point 4;
S.	07 deg.	09'	E.,	14.38 m.	to point 5;
S.	07 deg.	22'	E.,	32.50 m.	to point 6;
S.	03 deg.	30'	E.,	200.00 m.	to point 7;
	DUE WEST			900.00 m.	to point 8;
	DUE NORTH			800.00 m.	to point 9;
	DUE EAST			950.00 m.	to point 10;
	DUE SOUTH			200.00 m.	to point 11;
S.	20 deg.	19'	W.,	216.00 m.	to point 12;
S.	20 deg.	19'	W.,	68.13 m.	to point 13;
S.	17 deg.	11'	E.,	18.00 m.	to point 14;
S.	52 deg.	11'	E.,	12.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY (725,970) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Tubod Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 108: Declaring and delineating the Tubod Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of The Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 109**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE ARAS-ASAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Aras-asan in Cagwait, Surigao del Sur is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Aras-asan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Aras-asan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Aras-asan situated in Barangay Aras-asan, Municipality of Cagwait, Province of Surigao del Sur, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 16 deg. 46' E., 4,711.10 m. from BLLM No. 19, PLS-786, thence

N.	41 deg.	22'	W.,	23.01 m.	to point 2;
N.	47 deg.	01'	W.,	132.33 m.	to point 3;
N.	47 deg.	00'	W.,	78.64 m.	to point 4;
N.	57 deg.	52'	W.,	144.96 m.	to point 5;
N.	45 deg.	00'	E.,	750.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	45 deg.	00'	E.,	939.65 m.	to point 7;
S.	45 deg.	00'	W.,	772.34 m.	to point 8;
N.	36 deg.	07'	W.,	334.70 m.	to point 9;
N.	40 deg.	50'	W.,	93.49 m.	to point 10;
N.	36 deg.	21'	W.,	42.26 m.	to point 11;
S.	68 deg.	18'	W.,	17.90 m.	to point 12;
N.	88 deg.	55'	W.,	16.92 m.	to point 13;
N.	49 deg.	52'	W.,	21.02 m.	to point 14;
N.	39 deg.	47'	W.,	20.69 m.	to point 15;
N.	15 deg.	50'	W.,	27.05 m.	to point 16;
N.	08 deg.	25'	W.,	17.89 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN (686,114) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Aras-asan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 109: Declaring and delineating the Aras-Asan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 110
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CANTILAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Cantilan in Cantilan, Surigao del Sur is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Cantilan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Cantilan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Cantilan situated in Barangay Consuelo, Municipality of Cantilan, Province of Surigao del Sur, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 65 deg. 08' E., 1,282.80 m. from BLLM No. 13, Cad 354-D, Cantilan Cadastre, thence:

N.	11 deg.	51'	E.,	3.99 m.	to point 2;
N.	12 deg.	22'	E.,	300.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	77 deg.	38'	E.,	800.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	12 deg.	22'	W.,	618.75 m.	to point 5;
N.	77 deg.	38'	W.,	861.08 m.	to point 6;
N.	12 deg.	22'	E.,	200.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	55 deg.	43'	E.,	89.04 m.	to point 8;
N.	12 deg.	22'	E.,	50.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **FIVE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE (509,189) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Cantilan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 110: Declaring and delineating the Cantilan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of The Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 111
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE DAPITAN (PULAUAN) PORT ZONE
AND PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Dapitan in Dapitan City, Zamboanga del Norte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Dapitan (Pulauan) for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Dapitan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Dapitan situated in the City of Dapitan, Province of Zamboanga del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 46 deg. 12' W., 5,212.43 m. from ZGN No. 10, NAMRIA, thence:

N.	21 deg.	20'	W.,	392.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	61 deg.	30'	E.,	739.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	31 deg.	29'	E.,	680.08 m.	to point 4;
S.	64 deg.	08'	W.,	835.20 m.	to point 5;
N.	26 deg.	00'	W.,	252.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY-NINE SQUARE METERS AND SIXTY-NINE SQUARE DECIMETERS (523,389.69)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Dapitan (Pulauan) Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 111: Declaring and delineating the Dapitan (Pulauan) Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 112
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE SINDANGAN PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Sindangan in Sindangan, Zamboanga del Norte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Sindangan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Sindangan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Sindangan situated in the Municipality of Sindangan, Province of Zamboanga del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 27 deg. 36' W., 2,305.36 m. from ZGN No. 3, NAMRIA, thence:

S.	71 deg.	20'	E.,	500.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	32 deg.	50'	W.,	1,200.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	76 deg.	44'	W.,	1,029.06 m.	to point 4;
N.	32 deg.	50'	E.,	1,300.01 m.	to point 5;
S.	71 deg.	20'	E.,	500.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY SQUARE METERS AND SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE SQUARE DECIMETERS (1,211,990.725)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Sindangan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 113
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE MACO PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Maco in Maco, Compostela Valley is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Maco for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Maco. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Maco situated in the Municipality of Maco, Province of Compostela Valley, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 41 deg. 21'58" W., 697.0671 m. from BLLM No. 12, Tagum Cadastre, thence:

S.	22 deg.	53'58"	E.,	200.23 m.	to point 2;
S.	66 deg.	11'42"	W.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	24 deg.	14'41"	W.,	238.85 m.	to point 4;
N.	66 deg.	01'34"	E.,	983.33 m.	to point 5;
S.	51 deg.	21'31"	E.,	46.85 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **TWO HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT SQUARE METERS AND SEVENTY-FOUR SQUARE DECIMETERS (240,538.74)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Maco Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 113: Declaring and delineating the Maco Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 114
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE GENERAL SANTOS PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of General Santos in General Santos City is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of General Santos for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of General Santos. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of General Santos situated in the City of General Santos, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 63 deg. 53' W., 487.44 m. located at the middle of the island fronting the volleyball court, marked MK-I on top, thence:

N.	46 deg.	21'	E.,	52.81 m.	to point 2;
N.	69 deg.	23'	E.,	249.05 m.	to point 3;
N.	50 deg.	54'	E.,	15.28 m.	to point 4;
N.	42 deg.	40'	E.,	321.69 m.	to point 5;
N.	28 deg.	11'	E.,	60.64 m.	to point 6;
N.	31 deg.	34'	W.,	15.77 m.	to point 7;
N.	02 deg.	57'	E.,	40.81 m.	to point 8;
N.	39 deg.	44'	W.,	57.93 m.	to point 9;
N.	83 deg.	01'	W.,	17.92 m.	to point 10;
N.	35 deg.	13'	E.,	54.89 m.	to point 11;
S.	41 deg.	17'	E.,	27.01 m.	to point 12;
S.	38 deg.	23'	E.,	30.55 m.	to point 13;
N.	41 deg.	03'	E.,	243.22 m.	to point 14;
N.	45 deg.	51'	E.,	186.14 m.	to point 15;
N.	53 deg.	59'	E.,	244.44 m.	to point 16;
N.	49 deg.	11'	E.,	217.20 m.	to point 17;
N.	27 deg.	44'	E.,	51.15 m.	to point 18;
S.	40 deg.	32'	E.,	695.11 m.	to point 19;
S.	49 deg.	36'	W.,	1,856.00 m.	to point 20;

N.	40 deg.	24'	W.,	400.00 m.	to point 21;
N.	01 deg.	32'	E.,	101.38 m.	to point 22;
N.	39 deg.	41'	E.,	105.00 m.	to point 23;
N.	41 deg.	05'	W.,	99.53 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE MILLION ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED (1,129,800) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The General Santos Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 114: Declaring and delineating the General Santos Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 115

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE COTABATO PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Cotabato in Cotabato City, Maguindanao is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Cotabato for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Cotabato. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Cotabato situated in the City of Cotabato, Province of Maguindanao, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 29 deg. 53' W., 351.22 m. from the corner of Town Plaza of Cotabato City, thence:

N.	12 deg.	35'	E.,	10.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	24 deg.	20'	E.,	76.73 m.	to point 3;
S.	67 deg.	41'	E.,	345.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	24 deg.	49'	W.,	68.04 m.	to point 5;
S.	24 deg.	49'	W.,	11.96 m.	to point 6;
N.	70 deg.	06'	W.,	7.55 m.	to point 7;
N.	67 deg.	19'	W.,	60.71 m.	to point 8;
N.	67 deg.	30'	W.,	32.12 m.	to point 9;
N.	67 deg.	25'	W.,	12.94 m.	to point 10;
N.	67 deg.	09'	W.,	86.35 m.	to point 11;
N.	66 deg.	37'	W.,	10.00 m.	to point 12;
N.	67 deg.	14'	W.,	77.52 m.	to point 13;
N.	67 deg.	38'	W.,	10.04 m.	to point 14;
N.	73 deg.	35'	W.,	3.15 m.	to point 15;
N.	78 deg.	34'	W.,	42.97 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **TWENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY SQUARE METERS AND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-TWO SQUARE DECIMETERS (27,450.872)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Cotabato Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 115: Declaring and delineating the Cotabato Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 116
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE KALAMANSIG PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Kalamansig in Kalamansig, Sultan Kudarat is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Kalamansig for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Kalamansig. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Kalamansig situated in the Municipality of Kalamansig, Province of Sultan Kudarat, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 84 deg. 09' W., 591.64 m. from BLLM No. 1, Kalamansig, Sultan Kudarat, thence:

S.	58 deg.	47'	E.,	30.32 m.	to point 2;
S.	58 deg.	47'	E.,	284.84 m.	to point 3;
S.	31 deg.	31'	W.,	600.00 m.	to point 4;
N.	58 deg.	47'	W.,	600.00 m.	to point 5;
N.	31 deg.	37'	E.,	600.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	58 deg.	47'	E.,	284.84 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **THREE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND (360,000) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Kalamansig Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 116: Declaring and delineating the Kalamansig Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 117
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE TUBIGON PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Tubigon in Tubigon, Bohol is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Tubigon for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Tubigon. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Tubigon situated in the Municipality of Tubigon, Province of Bohol, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

S.	50 deg.	00'	W.,	485.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	40 deg.	00'	W.,	1,200.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	50 deg.	00'	E.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 4;
S.	40 deg.	00'	E.,	1,200.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	50 deg.	00'	W.,	500.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	40 deg.	00'	E.,	300.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	50 deg.	00'	W.,	15.00 m.	to point 8;
N.	40 deg.	00'	W.,	300.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (1,204,500) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Tubigon Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 117: Declaring and delineating the Tubigon Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 118
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE GUINSILIBAN PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF
THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Guinsiliban in Guinsiliban, Camiguin is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Guinsiliban for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Guinsiliban. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Guinsiliban situated in Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of Guinsiliban, Province of Camiguin, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 02 deg. 07'53" W., 6,142.94 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-1103, Mahinog, Camiguin, thence:

N.	06 deg.	05'	W.,	6.98 m.	to point 2;
N.	00 deg.	31'	E.,	8.71 m.	to point 3;
N.	06 deg.	16'	W.,	14.99 m.	to point 4;
N.	17 deg.	07'	E.,	23.47 m.	to point 5;
N.	07 deg.	46'	E.,	26.28 m.	to point 6;
N.	54 deg.	34'	E.,	191.15 m.	to point 7;
N.	58 deg.	18'	E.,	23.62 m.	to point 8;
	DUE EAST			650.00 m.	to point 9;
	DUE SOUTH			650.00 m.	to point 10;
	DUE WEST			650.00 m.	to point 11;
N.	74 deg.	04'	W.,	293.38 m.	to point 12;
N.	13 deg.	24'	E.,	61.02 m.	to point 13;
N.	20 deg.	04'	E.,	30.28 m.	to point 14;
N.	23 deg.	29'	E.,	68.54 m.	to point 15;
N.	26 deg.	59'	E.,	95.37 m.	to point 16;
N.	21 deg.	52'	E.,	27.86 m.	to point 17;
N.	17 deg.	23'	E.,	54.16 m.	to point 18;

N.	13 deg.	59'	W.,	34.40 m.	to point 19;
N.	02 deg.	09'	W.,	22.06 m.	to point 20;
S.	84 deg.	25'	W.,	14.49 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY SQUARE METERS AND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-NINE SQUARE DECIMETERS (538,470.479)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Guinsiliban Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 118: Declaring and delineating the Guinsiliban Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 119
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE DAPA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Dapa in Dapa, Siargao Island, Surigao del Norte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Dapa for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Dapa. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Dapa situated in the Municipality of Dapa, Siargao Island, Province of Surigao del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 20 deg. 44' W., 330.27 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cad 419-D, Dapa Cadastre, thence:

S.	41 deg.	04'	E.,	57.00 m.	to point 2;
				250.00 m.	to point 3;
				405.20 m.	to point 4;
				377.48 m.	to point 5;
				250.00 m.	to point 6;
N.	51 deg.	23'	E.,	35.77 m.	to point 7;
S.	38 deg.	37'	E.,	62.64 m.	to point 8;
N.	51 deg.	23'	E.,	26.72 m.	to point 9;
S.	39 deg.	56'	E.,	10.75 m.	to point 10;
S.	41 deg.	04'	E.,	34.90 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND TEN (148,010) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Dapa Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 119: Declaring and delineating the Dapa Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 120
CONSTITUTING THE TRANSITION COMMISSION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Preamble of the 1987 Philippine Constitution articulates the aspiration of the sovereign Filipino people to build a just and humane society, and establish a Government that shall embody our ideals and aspirations, promote the common good, conserve and develop our patrimony, and secure to ourselves and our posterity, the blessings of independence and democracy under the rule of law and a regime of truth, justice, freedom, love, equality and peace;

WHEREAS, the comprehensive peace process agenda in Mindanao is an indispensable component to achieve real and inclusive regional and national development goals;

WHEREAS, the Government entered into the 2012 Framework Agreement (hereinafter the Agreement), which is envisioned to pave the way for the peaceful resolution of the armed struggle in Mindanao;

WHEREAS, the Government acknowledges its commitment to exert all efforts towards realizing the full implementation of the Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order that:

SECTION 1. Organization. The Transition Commission (hereinafter the Commission) is hereby constituted.

SECTION 2. Composition. The Commission shall be composed of fifteen (15) members appointed by the President in accordance with the 2012 Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro.

The Commission may sit *en banc* or constitute itself into divisions, as it may deem necessary for the speedy, effective and efficient performance of its functions.

SECTION 3. Functions. The Commission shall have the following functions:

- a. To draft the proposed Bangsamoro Basic Law with provisions consistent with the 2012 Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro;
- b. Whenever necessary, to recommend to Congress or the people proposed amendments to the 1987 Philippine Constitution;
- c. Whenever necessary, to assist in identifying and coordinating development programs in the proposed Bangsamoro in conjunction with the MILF Bangsamoro Development Agency (BDA), and the Bangsamoro Leadership and Management Institute (BLMI).
For this purpose, the Commission may likewise coordinate with such other relevant government agencies and/ or non-government organizations;
- d. To coordinate and conduct dialogues and consultations with the National Government and various stakeholders in furtherance of its functions; and
- e. To perform such other relevant functions as the President may hereinafter direct.

SECTION 4. Coordination with the Legislature. The Commission may directly coordinate with legislative bodies in order to accomplish its functions under this order.

SECTION 5. Duration. The Commission shall cease to operate upon the enactment by Congress of the Bangsamoro Basic Law.

SECTION 6. Relationship with Government Agencies. Consistent with existing laws, rules and regulations, all national government agencies, including government-owned or controlled corporations (GOCCs) and government financial institutions (GFIs) may be called upon to support the Commission in the performance of its functions.

SECTION 7. Transparency and Inclusivity. The Commission shall ensure transparency, inclusivity and utmost professionalism in the performance of its mandate, and shall provide for appropriate and effective mechanisms for consultations with all stakeholders, as may be warranted.

SECTION 8. Secretariat and Technical Committees; Office. The Commission shall organize its Secretariat to be headed by an Executive Director as may be designated by the Chair. The Secretariat shall provide administrative and technical support to the Commission. The Commission and its Secretariat shall hold office in such venue as the Commission may deem appropriate.

The Commission is hereby authorized to create technical committees and designate members thereof, and may engage the assistance of experts and professional advisors, subject to government rules and regulations.

SECTION 9. Budget. The Commission shall be funded with an initial allocation of ONE HUNDRED MILLION Pesos (₱100,000,000.00) from the Contingent Fund of the Office of the President. Appropriation for succeeding years shall be incorporated in budget proposals under the Office of the President.

SECTION 10. Administrative Guidelines. The Commission shall adopt guidelines for the effective implementation of this order.

SECTION 11. Repealing Clause. All previous issuances inconsistent with the provisions of this order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This order shall take effect upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 17th day of December, in the Year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 120: Constituting the Transition Commission and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 121

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE AGUTAYA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Agutaya in Agutaya, Palawan has been considered by the PPA and local government unit (LGU) for port development;

WHEREAS, the development of said port will promote rapid development of the area through improved trade, commerce and tourism activities; and

WHEREAS, port zone delineation is necessary to establish the territorial jurisdiction of the Agutaya Port for its proposed developments.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Agutaya. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Agutaya situated in Barangay Abagat, Municipality of Agutaya, Province of Palawan, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

S.	83 deg.	00'	W.,	15.60 m.	to point 2;
N.	07 deg.	00'	W.,	63.74 m.	to point 3;
S.	83 deg.	00'	W.,	954.60 m.	to point 4;
S.	07 deg.	00'	E.,	221.40 m.	to point 5;
N.	83 deg.	00'	E.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 6;
N.	07 deg.	00'	W.,	117.66 m.	to point 7;
S.	83 deg.	00'	W.,	29.80 m.	to point 8;
N.	07 deg.	00'	W.,	40.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **TWO HUNDRED SEVENTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED FOURTEEN SQUARE METERS AND TWELVE SQUARE DECIMETERS (217,314.12)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Agutaya Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 121: Declaring and delineating the Agutaya Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 122

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BALABAC PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Balabac in Balabac, Palawan is one of the busiest ports in the country;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to accelerate the development of a seaport in the Municipality of Balabac which will serve as the gateway of Balabac and Southern Palawan areas to the rest of the country and nearby countries of Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia, Indonesia and others; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to accommodate projected increase in port traffic and program the development of the port facilities to support the increasing demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Balabac. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Balabac situated in Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of Balabac, Province of Palawan, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

	DUE EAST	4,160.00 m.	to point 2;
	DUE SOUTH	8,500.00 m.	to point 3;
	DUE WEST	3,400.00 m.	to point 4;
	DUE NORTH	1,200.00 m.	to point 5;
	DUE WEST	2,450.00 m.	to point 6;
	DUE NORTH	500.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	73 deg. 00' E.,	2,500.00 m.	to point 8;
	DUE NORTH	3,500.00 m.	to point 9;
	DUE WEST	700.00 m.	to point 10;
	DUE NORTH	2,570.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **THIRTY-THREE MILLION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-NINE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVEN SQUARE METERS AND FIFTY-SEVEN SQUARE DECIMETERS (33,199,907.57)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Balabac Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 122: Declaring and delineating the Balabac Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 123

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE RIZAL PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Rizal in Rizal, Palawan has been considered by the PPA and local government unit (LGU) for port development; and

WHEREAS, the development of the said port will promote rapid development of the area through improved trade, commerce and tourism activities; and

WHEREAS, port zone delineation is necessary to establish the territorial jurisdiction of Rizal Port for its proposed development and to maximize the use of the port area for effective enforcement of control and supervision of PPA.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Rizal. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Rizal situated in Barangay Punta Baja, Municipality of Rizal, Province of Palawan, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

S.	09 deg.	00'00"	W.,	82.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	30 deg.	00'00"	W.,	30.70 m.	to point 3;
S.	14 deg.	51'00"	W.,	64.50 m.	to point 4;
S.	33 deg.	02'24"	W.,	248.00 m.	to point 5;
N.	70 deg.	00'00"	W.,	1,193.16 m.	to point 6;
N.	20 deg.	00'00"	E.,	916.56 m.	to point 7;
S.	70 deg.	00'00"	E.,	658.00 m.	to point 8;
S.	20 deg.	00'00"	W.,	500.00 m.	to point 9;
S.	70 deg.	00'00"	E.,	575.03 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE SQUARE METERS AND THIRTY-SEVEN SQUARE DECIMETERS (841,639.37)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Rizal Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 123: Declaring and delineating the Rizal Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 124
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE TAYTAY (SANTA CRUZ) PORT ZONE
AND PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION
OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Taytay (Santa Cruz) in Taytay, Palawan is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Taytay (Santa Cruz) for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Taytay. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Taytay situated in Sitio Santa Cruz, Barangay Bituin, Municipality of Taytay, Province of Palawan, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

S.	60	deg.	00'	E.,	2,500.00 m.	to point 2;
				DUE SOUTH	1,300.00 m.	to point 3;
				DUE EAST	1,750.00 m.	to point 4;
				DUE NORTH	4,500.00 m.	to point 5;
				DUE WEST	1,700.00 m.	to point 6;
				DUE SOUTH	2,500.00 m.	to point 7;
				DUE WEST	200.00 m.	to point 8;
				DUE NORTH	250.00 m.	to point 9;
				DUE WEST	200.00 m.	to point 10;
				DUE SOUTH	200.00 m.	to point 11;
N.	73	deg.	00'	W.,	1,800.00 m.	to point 12;
S.	72	deg.	20'	W.,	97.32 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **EIGHT MILLION FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FIVE SQUARE METERS AND EIGHTY-ONE SQUARE DECIMETERS (8,554,165.81)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Taytay (Santa Cruz) Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 124: Declaring and delineating the Taytay (Santa Cruz) port zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 125
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE GLAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Glan in Glan, Sarangani is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Glan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Glan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Glan situated in the Municipality of Glan, Province of Sarangani, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

DUE WEST	950.00 m.	to point 2;
DUE NORTH	1,000.00 m.	to point 3;
DUE EAST	1,000.00 m.	to point 4;
DUE SOUTH	1,000.00 m.	to point 5;
DUE WEST	50.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **ONE MILLION (1,000,000) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Glan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2012). *Executive Order No. 125: Declaring and delineating the Glan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 126

REPEALING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 855 (S.2010) AND AUTHORIZING THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EQUITY VALUE BUYOUT OF THE METRO RAIL
TRANSIT CORPORATION AND PRESCRIBING GUIDELINES THEREFOR

WHEREAS, the Government, through the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), entered into a Build-Lease-Transfer Agreement (BLT Agreement) with Metro Rail Transit Corporation (MRTC) for the construction of the EDSA Light Rail Transit Phase I (otherwise known as the MRT Line 3);

WHEREAS, about 77% of the original shareholders of MRTC securitized their interest over Equity Rental Payments (ERP) under the BLT Agreement, thereby divesting their economic interest in MRTC, in the form of MRT3 Notes and preference shares;

WHEREAS, in 2008 and 2009, MRTC issued Equity Value Buyout (EVBO) Notices to DOTC pursuant to Section 7.7 of the BLT Agreement requiring the Government to purchase MRTC's right, title and interest in MRT Line 3;

WHEREAS, in January 2009, MRTC filed an arbitration case in Singapore against the Republic of the Philippines due to, among others, failure of the Government to timely pay ERPs;

WHEREAS, to avert said arbitration case and gain control of the MRTC Board, the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) and the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP) were instructed by the Government to acquire shares of stock and other securities (including MRT3 Notes and preference shares) representing economic interest in MRTC;

WHEREAS, despite DBP and LBP's acquisition, the arbitration case remains pending, the Government continues to heavily subsidize the operation of the MRT Line 3, and the BLT Agreement constrains capacity expansion initiatives of the Government due to right of first refusal afforded MRTC to supply additional Light Rail Vehicles;

WHEREAS, as banking institutions, DBP and LBP are subject to prudential regulations of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), which prohibits banks to indefinitely hold non-allied investments;

WHEREAS, the Government is desirous to (i) provide a more efficient and publicly-safe MRT Line 3 by introducing capacity expansion projects; (ii) put an end to the arbitration case filed by MRTC against the Philippines; and, (iii) manage the financial burden on the part of the Government posed by the BLT Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, towards this end, the Department of Finance (DOF), DOTC, DBP and LBP recommended the implementation of the EVBO pursuant to the terms of the BLT Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Directing the Implementation of EVBO of MRTC. The DOF, DOTC, DBP, and LBP, in coordination with other concerned government agencies and instrumentalities, are hereby

directed to proceed with the implementation of the EVBO of MRTC pursuant to the BLT Agreement. Implementation of the EVBO shall also include the following components:

- a) Acquisition by the Government of either (i) all outstanding shares of stock and other securities issued by MRTC and/or entities owning the MRT Line 3 Project (equity purchase); or, (ii) all rights, title and interests of MRTC in the MRT Line 3 Project (asset purchase) pursuant to the BLT Agreement;
- b) Execution of a Compromise Agreement between the Government and MRTC and submission of the same to the Arbitration Committee in Singapore;
- c) Settlement of local tax liabilities of MRTC, which under the BLT shall be borne by the Government; and,
- d) Termination of the BLT Agreement.

SECTION 2. Implementation of EVBO. The DOF, DOTC, DBP, and LBP shall decide whether to proceed with the EVBO through an equity or an asset purchase and the cost of implementing the EVBO in accordance with the BLT Agreement. The DOF shall then proceed with the purchase and subsequent retirement of all outstanding notes, shares, and other securities or assets, as the case may be. Services of financial, legal and technical advisors may be engaged by the DOF in the purchase and retirement of MRT3 Notes.

SECTION 3. Compromise Agreement with MRTC. In order to put a closure on the arbitration case in Singapore, DOTC and the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG) shall enter into a Compromise Agreement with MRTC without admission of fault on the part of the Philippines and subject to such conditions not prejudicial to its interest. DOTC and OSG shall submit the Compromise Agreement to the Arbitration Committee in Singapore for the case's dismissal.

SECTION 4. Settlement of Local Tax Liabilities of MRTC. The DOF, DOTC and OSG and the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) shall recommend to the Office of the President, for approval, the mechanism for the settlement of local tax liabilities of MRTC as may be permitted by law.

SECTION 5. Termination of the BLT Agreement. The DOF, DOTC and OSG shall review all agreements related to the BLT Agreement and recommend the termination of the BLT Agreement, taking into account the legal and financial aspects thereof.

SECTION 6. Funding for the EVBO. The DOF, through the Secretary of Finance, is hereby authorized to raise funding through the issuance of new borrowing, domestic or foreign, to carry out the EVBO and its components provided in Sections 1 and 2 hereof, subject to such requirements as the law may provide for Government borrowings. For this purpose, the Secretary of Finance is given the authority to execute any and all types of documents and agreements in connection with said borrowing.

SECTION 7. Coordination among Government Agencies and Instrumentalities. All concerned government agencies and instrumentalities are directed to give their full support and cooperation in order for the Government to successfully and judiciously implement the EVBO.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. Executive Order No. 855 (s.2010) and all orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity Clause. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 28th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 126: Repealing Executive Order No. 855 (s.2010) and authorizing the implementation of the equity value buyout of the Metro Rail Transit Corporation and prescribing guidelines therefore*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 127
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BACACAY PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Bacacay in Bacacay, Albay is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Bacacay for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Bacacay. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Bacacay situated in the Barangay 1, Municipality of Bacacay, Province of Albay, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, S. 17 deg. 42' 56" E., 14.03 m. from the new lighthouse, thence:

N.	81 deg.	39'	08"	W.,	12.14 m.	to point 2;
S.	87 deg.	01'	29"	W.,	112.93 m.	to point 3;
N.	88 deg.	51'	59"	W.,	32.67 m.	to point 4;
N.	81 deg.	36'	02"	W.,	105.21 m.	to point 5;
N.	68 deg.	02'	00"	W.,	250.96 m.	to point 6;
			DUE NORTH		891.37 m.	to point 7;
			DUE EAST		999.44 m.	to point 8;
			DUE SOUTH		943.00 m.	to point 9;
S.	77 deg.	49'	43"	W.,	341.54 m.	to point 10;
N.	86 deg.	08'	39"	W.,	155.41 m.	to point 11;
S.	65 deg.	16'	56"	W.,	7.81 m.	to point 12;
N.	69 deg.	47'	14"	W.,	10.01 m.	to point 13;
N.	02 deg.	03'	21"	E.,	7.21 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-FOUR SQUARE METERS AND FORTY-FIVE SQUARE DECIMETERS (978,754.45)** more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Bacacay Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the Government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 127: Declaring and delineating the Bacacay Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 128
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE SAN JOSE PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of San Jose in San Jose, Northern Samar is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of San Jose for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of San Jose. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of San Jose situated in Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of San Jose, Province of Northern Samar is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 27 deg. 49' W., 517.84 m. from BLLM No. 1, San Jose, Northern Samar, thence:

N.	17 deg.	10'	W.,	39.48 m.	to point 2;
N.	00 deg.	16'	E.,	29.88 m.	to point 3;
N.	66 deg.	27'	W.,	500.00 m.	to point 4;
N.	23 deg.	33'	E.,	500.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	66 deg.	27'	E.,	664.33 m.	to point 6;
S.	26 deg.	18'	W.,	468.90 m.	to point 7;
N.	75 deg.	35'	E.,	0.95 m.	to point 8;
S.	12 deg.	09'	E.,	1.84 m.	to point 9;
S.	77 deg.	35'	W.,	7.83 m.	to point 10;
S.	68 deg.	14'	W.,	6.04 m.	to point 11;
N.	41 deg.	48'	W.,	1.69 m.	to point 12;
S.	61 deg.	22'	W.,	29.61 m.	to point 13;
N.	02 deg.	04'	W.,	9.73 m.	to point 14;
S.	71 deg.	12'	W.,	96.94 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO (328,752) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The San Jose Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 128: Declaring and delineating the San Jose Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 129

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CALBAYOG PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Calbayog in Calbayog City, Samar is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Calbayog for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Calbayog. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Calbayog situated in Barangay Poblacion, Calbayog City, Province of Samar, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 37 deg. 36' W., 462.47 m. from BLLM No. 1, Calbayog City, Samar, thence:

N.	88 deg.	39'	E.,	649.96 m.	to point 2;
S.	01 deg.	21'	E.,	800.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	88 deg.	39'	W.,	737.27 m.	to point 4;
N.	01 deg.	21'	W.,	549.71 m.	to point 5;
N.	01 deg.	01'	W.,	265.17 m.	to point 6;
N.	88 deg.	39'	E.,	70.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	00 deg.	21'	E.,	13.36 m.	to point 8;
S.	85 deg.	56'	E.,	16.07 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **FIVE HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX (590,686) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Calbayog Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 129: Declaring and delineating the Calbayog Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 130
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CATBALOGAN PORT ZONE
AND PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION
OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Catbalogan in Catbalogan City, Samar is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Catbalogan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Catbalogan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Catbalogan situated in Barangay Poblacion, Catbalogan City, Province of Samar, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 81 deg. 41' W., 64.88 m. from SMR-3065, PRS-92, Catbalogan City, Samar, thence:

N.	75 deg.	23'	E.,	24.76 m.	to point 2;
N.	12 deg.	20'	W.,	0.81 m.	to point 3;
N.	74 deg.	28'	E.,	48.23 m.	to point 4;
S.	06 deg.	28'	E.,	0.85 m.	to point 5;
S.	14 deg.	40'	E.,	4.89 m.	to point 6;
S.	15 deg.	38'	E.,	3.82 m.	to point 7;
S.	15 deg.	38'	E.,	1.57 m.	to point 8;
S.	15 deg.	11'	E.,	4.97 m.	to point 9;
S.	14 deg.	45'	E.,	159.33 m.	to point 10;
N.	76 deg.	44'	E.,	4.64 m.	to point 11;
S.	15 deg.	51'	E.,	9.20 m.	to point 12;
S.	76 deg.	00'	W.,	19.73 m.	to point 13;
S.	75 deg.	20'	W.,	5.58 m.	to point 14;
S.	74 deg.	44'	W.,	9.59 m.	to point 15;
S.	16 deg.	23'	E.,	5.31 m.	to point 16;
S.	15 deg.	15'	E.,	4.94 m.	to point 17;
S.	15 deg.	02'	E.,	5.70 m.	to point 18;
S.	75 deg.	22'	W.,	37.41 m.	to point 19;
S.	76 deg.	39'	W.,	7.27 m.	to point 20;

S.	14 deg.	26'	E.,	230.00 m.	to point 21;
S.	75 deg.	34'	W.,	740.00 m.	to point 22;
N.	14 deg.	26'	W.,	629.34 m.	to point 23;
N.	75 deg.	34'	E.,	740.44 m.	to point 24;
S.	14 deg.	26'	E.,	200.50 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT (480,148) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Catbalogan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 130: Declaring and delineating the Catbalogan Port zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 131

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BORONGAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Port of Borongan in Borongan, Eastern Samar is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Borongan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Borongan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Borongan situated in Barangay Bato, Borongan City, Province of Eastern Samar, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 89 deg. 54' W., 28,603.05 m. from BLLM No. 1, Borongan City, Eastern Samar, thence:

S.	73 deg.	55'	W.,	281.17 m.	to point 2;
N.	19 deg.	55'	W.,	763.94 m.	to point 3;
N.	69 deg.	50'	E.,	506.55 m.	to point 4;
S.	19 deg.	05'	E.,	805.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	69 deg.	02'	W.,	145.59 m.	to point 6;
S.	17 deg.	58'	E.,	11.13 m.	to point 7;
S.	63 deg.	40'	W.,	10.88 m.	to point 8;
S.	70 deg.	50'	W.,	20.67 m.	to point 9;
N.	17 deg.	38'	W.,	10.28 m.	to point 10;
N.	21 deg.	14'	W.,	25.03 m.	to point 11;
S.	69 deg.	09'	W.,	36.70 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **THREE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TWENTY (394,120) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Borongan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 131: Declaring and delineating the Borongan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 132

DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE ILIGAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, the Port of Iligan in Iligan City, Lanao del Norte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Iligan for the planning and development of the necessary port facilities thereat to support the demands of the shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Iligan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Iligan situated in Barangay Poblacion, Iligan City, Province of Lanao del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 49 deg. 18' W., 567.87 m. from BLLM No. 1, CAD 292, Iligan City, Lanao del Norte, thence:

S.	26 deg.	05'	W.,	14.48 m.	to point 2;
S.	38 deg.	33'	E.,	1.62 m.	to point 3;
S.	26 deg.	57'	W.,	43.48 m.	to point 4;
S.	25 deg.	41'	W.,	7.10 m.	to point 5;
S.	26 deg.	46'	W.,	46.27 m.	to point 6;
N.	61 deg.	07'	W.,	1.11 m.	to point 7;
S.	27 deg.	01'	W.,	3.72 m.	to point 8;
S.	26 deg.	51'	W.,	4.53 m.	to point 9;
S.	25 deg.	55'	W.,	3.77 m.	to point 10;
S.	12 deg.	23'	W.,	6.56 m.	to point 11;
S.	29 deg.	32'	W.,	20.49 m.	to point 12;
S.	27 deg.	16'	W.,	30.18 m.	to point 13;
S.	22 deg.	35'	W.,	535.40 m.	to point 14;
N.	64 deg.	53'	W.,	719.59 m.	to point 15;
N.	27 deg.	01'	E.,	1,395.20 m.	to point 16;
S.	61 deg.	57'	E.,	864.74 m.	to point 17;
S.	39 deg.	47'	E.,	33.40 m.	to point 18;
S.	47 deg.	36'	W.,	17.04 m.	to point 19;
N.	39 deg.	05'	W.,	28.64 m.	to point 20;
N.	61 deg.	57'	W.,	101.06 m.	to point 21;
S.	58 deg.	31'	W.,	282.92 m.	to point 22;

S.	26 deg.	17'	W.,	48.04 m.	to point 23;
S.	62 deg.	49'	E.,	66.98 m.	to point 24;
S.	53 deg.	22'	W.,	12.24 m.	to point 25;
S.	52 deg.	13'	W.,	10.56 m.	to point 26;
S.	26 deg.	11'	W.,	28.54 m.	to point 27;
S.	26 deg.	22'	W.,	28.50 m.	to point 28;
S.	26 deg.	04'	W.,	105.03 m.	to point 29;
S.	25 deg.	57'	W.,	13.41 m.	to point 30;
S.	25 deg.	54'	W.,	28.10 m.	to point 31;
S.	25 deg.	59'	W.,	38.87 m.	to point 32;
S.	25 deg.	38'	W.,	24.87 m.	to point 33;
S.	26 deg.	31'	W.,	44.31 m.	to point 34;
S.	27 deg.	52'	W.,	2.37 m.	to point 35;
S.	55 deg.	30'	W.,	1.54 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing a total area of **NINE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTEEN (947,218) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Iligan Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 132: Declaring and delineating the Iligan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 133

**REPEALING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 686 (S. 2007) AND RETURNING TO THE TOLL
REGULATORY BOARD (TRB) THE POWERS TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH)**

WHEREAS, on 19 December 2007, Executive Order No. (EO) 686 transferred the TRB from the DPWH to the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC), but removed certain powers of the TRB such as the power to enter into contracts on behalf of the Republic of the Philippines for the construction, operation and maintenance of toll facilities for highways, roads, bridges and public thoroughfares, and transferred the same to the DPWH; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines has continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President (OP) by, among others, transferring any agency under the OP, or functions thereof, to any department or agency of the government pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 3, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of EO 292.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby expressly repeal EO 686 (s. 2007). Any and all powers of the TRB transferred by EO 686 to the DPWH are hereby returned to the TRB in accordance with TRB's mandate under Presidential Decree No. 1112, as amended. The TRB shall remain an attached agency of the DOTC. Nothing herein shall be construed as to affect toll road contractual arrangements entered into pursuant to Republic Act No. 7718, as amended.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 26th of March, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 133: Repealing Executive Order No. 686 (s. 2007) and returning to the Toll Regulatory Board (TRB) the powers transferred to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 134

**GRANTING OF CARER'S ALLOWANCE TO EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION (EC)
PERMANENT PARTIAL DISABILITY (PPD) AND PERMANENT TOTAL DISABILITY (PTD)
PENSIONERS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR**

WHEREAS, the government recognizes the need to provide supplemental pension in the form of Carer's Allowance, as additional financial assistance to EC pensioners in the public sector in the categories of Permanent Partial Disability (PPD) and Permanent Total Disability (PTD);

WHEREAS, Carer's Allowance has been enjoyed by pensioners in the private sector since 1991, whereas pensioners in the public sector have not been granted the same benefit;

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2012, the Employees' Compensation Commission (ECC) adopted Resolution No. 12-09-20, approving the grant of Carer's Allowance to pensioners in the public sector who suffer from work-connected permanent partial and permanent total disabilities;

WHEREAS, the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) actuarial studies show that the GSIS-managed State Insurance Fund (SIF) can finance the grant of Carer's Allowance in the amount of Five Hundred Seventy Five pesos (₱575.00) a month to each EC PPD and EC PTD pensioner in the public sector without affecting the stability of the GSIS managed-SIF and without requiring additional contributions from the national government; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 177(e) of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 626, as amended, the ECC shall have the powers and duties, among others, to upgrade benefits and grant new ones for permanent disability or death, subject to the approval of the President, provided that the actuarial stability of the State Insurance Fund shall be guaranteed and that such increases in the benefit shall not require any increases in contributions.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Carer's Allowance. There is hereby granted a Carer's Allowance of Five Hundred Seventy Five Pesos (₱575.00) each to EC and EC PTD pensioners in the public sector, *Provided*, That the actuarial stability of the GSIS-managed State Insurance Fund shall be guaranteed, and *Provided, Further*, That such grant shall not require increases in contributions.

SECTION 2. Appropriation and Release from the SIF. The ECC and the GSIS are hereby directed to appropriate and release the amount necessary to cover the Carer's Allowance herein granted from the reserves of the State Insurance Fund that the GSIS administers for the public sector under the Employees' Compensation Program.

SECTION 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The ECC shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order.

SECTION 4. Amendment or Modification. All Presidential issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in the Official Gazette and in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of April, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 134: Granting of carer's allowance to Employees' Compensation (EC) Permanent Partial Disability (PPD) and Permanent Total Disability (PTD) pensioners in the public sector*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 135
INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFITS
FOR EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

WHEREAS, there is a need to address the present disparity in the amount of Employment Compensation (EC) benefits between the employees in the public sector and the covered workers in the private sector;

WHEREAS, on September 27, 2012, the Employees' Compensation Commission (ECC) has adopted Resolution No. 12-09-21, increasing the amount of EC benefits in the public sector to equal the amount of EC benefits presently enjoyed in the private sector;

WHEREAS, the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) actuarial studies show that the GSIS-managed State Insurance Fund (SIF) can finance the increase of EC benefits for the public sector without affecting the stability of the GSIS-managed SIF and without requiring additional contributions from the national government; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 177(e) of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 626, as amended, the ECC shall have the powers and duties, among others, to upgrade benefits and grant new ones for permanent disability or death, subject to the approval of the President, provided that the actuarial stability of the SIF shall be guaranteed and that such increases in benefits shall not require any increases in contributions.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Temporary Total Disability Benefits. The amount of EC Temporary Total Disability (TTD) benefits granted for employees in the public sector shall be increased from Ninety Pesos (₱90.00) to Two Hundred Pesos (₱200.00) per day.

SECTION 2. Funeral Benefits. The amount of EC funeral benefits granted to employees in the public sector shall be increased from Three Thousand Pesos (₱3,000.00) to Ten Thousand Pesos (₱10,000.00).

SECTION 3. Professional Fees. The Professional Fee for the first visit shall be increased from Sixty Pesos (₱60.00) to One Hundred Pesos (₱100.00) for the General Practitioner, and from Eighty Pesos (₱80.00) to One Hundred Fifty Pesos (₱150.00) for the Specialist. For succeeding visits, the Professional Fee shall be increased from Sixty Pesos (₱60.00) to Eighty Pesos (₱80.00) for the General Practitioner, and from Fifty Pesos (₱50.00) to One Hundred Pesos (₱100.00) for the Specialist.

SECTION 4. Appropriation and Release from the SIF. The ECC and the GSIS are hereby directed to appropriate and release the amount necessary to cover the increase in EC benefits from the reserves of the SIF that the GSIS administers for the public sector under the Employees' Compensation Program.

SECTION 5. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The ECC shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order.

SECTION 6. Amendment or Modification. All Presidential issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in the Official Gazette and in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 23rd day of April, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 135: Increasing the amount of Employment Compensation benefits for employees in the public sector*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 136

AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 8 (S. 2010) WHICH REORGANIZED AND RENAMED THE BUILD-OPERATE AND TRANSFER CENTER TO THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES AND TRANSFERRED ITS ATTACHMENT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY TO THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 8 (s. 2010) reorganized and renamed the Build-Operate and Transfer (BOT) Center to the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Center of the Philippines and transferred its attachment from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA);

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend certain sections of EO No. 8 for a more efficient implementation of PPP programs and projects;

WHEREAS, the power of the President to direct the reorganization of government entities under the Executive Department is enshrined in the Constitution, particularly Section 17, Article VII which states that, “[t]he President shall have control of all executive departments, bureaus and offices;”

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides for the continuing authority of the President to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, Section 20, Chapter 7, Title I, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 also provides for the President’s residual powers;

WHEREAS, the power of the President to reorganize the Executive Department also includes such powers and functions that may be provided for under other laws, particularly Section 75 of RA No. 10155, otherwise known as the “General Appropriations Act of 2013” which empowers heads of departments, bureaus, offices, agencies and other entities of the Executive Branch, as authorized by the President, to implement, “structural, functional and operational adjustments that will result in streamlined organization and operations and improved performance and productivity;” and,

WHEREAS, Section 4 of EO No. 230 (s. 1987) states that the President shall act as the Chairman of the NEDA Board with the authority to revise the membership thereof as he deems necessary for the effective performance of its functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby amend EO No. 8:

SECTION 1. Section 1 of the same EO is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. The PPP Center. The Build-Operate and Transfer (BOT) Center is hereby renamed as the Public-Private Partnership (PPP) Center of the Philippines and transferred as an attached

agency from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) for budgetary purposes and administrative supervision.”

SECTION 2. Section 2 (d) of the same EO is hereby amended to read as follows:

“d) Manage and administer the Project Development and Monitoring Facility (PDMF), formerly known as the Project Development Facility (PDF) established as a revolving fund under EO No. 44 (s. 2002).”

SECTION 3. A new section after Section 3 is hereby added to read as follows:

“Section 3A. PPP Governing Board. The PPP Governing Board is hereby created, which shall be the overall policy-making body for all PPP-related matters, including the PDME. It shall be responsible for setting the strategic direction of the PPP Program and creating an enabling policy and institutional environment for PPP.

The PPP Center shall report directly to the PPP Governing Board which shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	:	Secretary of Socio-Economic Planning
Vice-Chairperson	:	Secretary of Finance
Members	:	Secretary of Budget and Management
		Secretary of Justice
		Secretary of Trade and Industry
		Executive Secretary
		Private Sector Co-Chairman of the National Competitiveness Council

The Chairman and three (3) other members of the Board shall constitute a quorum and a majority vote of the members present shall be necessary for the adoption of any issuance, order, resolution, decision or other act of the Board in the exercise of its functions.

The PPP Center shall act as Secretariat of the PPP Governing Board.”

SECTION 4. Section 4 of the same EO is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 4. Head of the PPP Center. The PPP Center shall be headed by an Executive Director with the rank equivalent to an Undersecretary, who shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Socio-Economic Planning. The Executive Director shall undertake the day-to-day management and supervise the operations of the PPP Center.”

SECTION 5. A new section after Section 4 is hereby added to read as follows:

“SECTION 4A. Membership to the NEDA Interagency Committees. The Executive Director of the PPP Center shall be included as a member of the NEDA Infrastructure Committee – Technical Board (INFRACOM-TB) and the NEDA Investment Coordination Committee – Technical Board (ICC-TB).”

SECTION 6. A new section after Section 5 is hereby added to read as follows:

“SECTION 5A. Retirement or Separation Benefits. Personnel of the BOT Center separated as a result of the reorganization pursuant to EO No. 8 shall, in addition to the benefits authorized under RA No. 8291, otherwise known as the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) Act of 1997,” be granted separation benefits charged against available savings of the National Government, as follows:

- a) $\frac{1}{2}$ of the monthly basic salary for every year of government service for those who have rendered less than 21 years of service;
- b) $\frac{3}{4}$ of the monthly basic salary for every year of government service, computed from the 1st year, for those who have rendered 21 to less than 31 years of service; or,
- c) One (1) month basic salary for every year of government service, computed from the 1st year, for those who have rendered 31 years of service and above.”

The monthly basic salary shall refer to the highest salary received before retirement/separation from the BOT Center.

For this purpose, the PPP Center shall prepare the complete list of BOT employees separated from service, indicating their respective name, position title, monthly basic salary and the number of years of government service, duly certified by an authorized official of the Civil Service Commission, and submit the same to DBM as basis for the computation of the special separation benefits.”

SECTION 7. Section 6 of the same EO is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 6. Project Development and Monitoring Facility (PDMF). The PDMF shall be used for the conduct of business case, pre-feasibility and feasibility studies and tender documents of PPP programs and projects in a timely manner and ensure effective monitoring of PPP project implementation.

To properly administer and manage this facility, a PDMF Committee composed of representatives from NEDA, Department of Finance (DOF), Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the PPP Center is hereby created, which shall approve applications for availment. Subject to the approval of the PPP Governing Board, the PDMF Committee shall also formulate, prescribe and recommend policies, procedures and guidelines for the use of the PDMF for the development of PPP projects and recovery of costs charged to the fund.

The PPP Center shall serve as the Secretariat of the PDMF Committee.

To sustain the PDMF, the PPP Center may collect and receive reasonable fees and recover costs charged to the PDMF, in accordance with the guidelines that shall be approved by the PPP Governing Board.

Subject to the provisions of the General Appropriations Act (GAA) and relevant accounting and auditing rules and regulations, the implementing agencies are hereby authorized to reallocate their funds for purposes of the PDMF.”

SECTION 8. Section 8 of the same EO is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 8. PPP Center Budget. DBM shall release the funds appropriated for the PPP Center in the annual GAA, subject to pertinent budgeting, accounting and auditing rules.

PPP Center may receive contributions, grants, and/or other funds from, among others, government agencies and corporations, local government units (LGUs), local and foreign donors, development partners, and private sector/institutions, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations.”

SECTION 9. A new section after Section 9 is hereby added to read as follows:

“**SECTION 10. Reporting Requirements.** All government agencies, including LGUs, are directed to submit reports to the PPP Center on all projects undertaken through Public-Private Partnerships. Consistent with the requirements of the oversight agency, the PPP Center shall prescribe the frequency of submission, format and contents, among others.”

SECTION 10. Sections 10, 11 and 12 of EO No. 8 are renumbered as Sections 11, 12 and 13, respectively.

SECTION 11. This EO shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 28th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 136: Amending certain Sections of Executive Order No. 8 (s. 2010) which reorganized and renamed the Build-Operate and Transfer Center to the Public-Private Partnership Center of the Philippines and transferred its attachment from the Department of Trade and Industry to the National Economic and Development Authority, and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 137
THE MINDANAO MODULAR GENERATOR SETS (GENSETS) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, there is a consensus among the members of the Mindanao Power Monitoring Committee (MPMC), created under Executive Order (EO) No. 81 (s. 2012), that there is a need to augment the Interruptible Load Program (ILP) and the Interim Mindanao Electricity Market (IMEM) Program, to address the deteriorating power situation in Mindanao;

WHEREAS, the Department of Energy (DOE), as Co-Chair of the MPMC, proposes the use of modular gensets as an immediate short-term solution to the intermediate electricity needs of Mindanao until baseload power plants come online by 2015; and,

WHEREAS, the collections from Service Contract (SC) 38 constituted as a Special Account in the General Fund – Fund 151 (SAGF-151) of the DOE, more commonly known as the “Malampaya Fund,” shall be used to finance energy resource development and exploration programs and projects of the government and for such other purposes as may be directed by the President of the Philippines pursuant to Section 8 of Presidential Decree No. 910 and EO No. 848 (s. 2009).

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Mindanao Modular Gensets Program. The “Mindanao Modular Gensets Program” (the Program) is hereby established to provide the needed additional power supply to electricity end-users in Mindanao. Under the Program, a loan facility may be extended to participating electric cooperatives (ECs) for the acquisition of modular gensets

Consistent with their respective mandates, the Program shall be implemented by the DOE as Lead, through the National Electrification Administration (NEA).

SECTION 2. Funding. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is hereby directed to release the amount of **Four Billion Five Hundred Million Pesos (P4,500,000,000)** for the Program, which shall be sourced from the Malampaya Fund of the DOE.

The release shall be subject to the submission of the Bureau of Treasury (BTr) Certification on the availability of deposited collections with the SAGF-151 of the DOE and to existing laws and the usual government budgetary, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 3. Implementation. NEA, in consultation with the Mindanao Development Authority (MinDA), may seek the assistance of the Association of Mindanao Rural Electric Cooperatives (AMRECO) and other Mindanao stakeholders to implement the Program.

All the departments, bureaus, offices, agencies or instrumentalities of the Government, including Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) and government financial institutions (GFIs) are hereby directed to extend such assistance and support to the Program as may be necessary for its successful implementation.

SECTION 4. Reports. The NEA, through the DOE, shall submit a monthly report on the status of the implementation of the Program, including the actual use and disbursement of the funds for this Program, to the Office of the President, copy furnished MinDA.

SECTION 5. Implementing Guidelines. The DOE shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the implementation of this Order within fifteen (15) days from the effectivity hereof.

SECTION 6. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Repeal. All orders, issuances, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 12th day of July, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 137: The Mindanao Modular Generator Sets (GENSETS) Program*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 138

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER (EO) NO. 56 (S. 2001) ADOPTING THE COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAM FRAMEWORK FOR CHILDREN IN ARMED CONFLICT, STRENGTHENING THE COUNCIL FOR THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN (CWC) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 3, Article XV of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to defend the right of children to assistance and special protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation and other conditions prejudicial to their development;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Government enacted Republic Act (RA) No. 7610, otherwise known as the, “Special Protection of Children Against Abuse, Exploitation and Discrimination Act,” declaring children as Zones of Peace and affirming the State policy of protecting and rehabilitating children gravely threatened or endangered by circumstances affecting their survival and normal development;

WHEREAS, our general obligation as a State Party to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) and its Optional Protocol on Children in Armed Conflict enjoins us to take all feasible measures to ensure that children under the age of eighteen are not recruited compulsorily into our Armed Forces and that members thereof who are under eighteen years of age do not take direct part in hostilities;

WHEREAS, EO No. 56 adopted the Comprehensive Program Framework for Children in Armed Conflict (CIAC Program Framework) which addresses the alarming involvement of children in armed conflict, either as combatants, couriers, guides, spies, medics, cooks, or their recruitment for sexual purposes or in any other similar, non-combatant capacity and directs national government agencies and Local Government Units (LGUs) to implement the same, under the leadership of the Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP);

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Agreement was executed in 2007, constituting the Inter-Agency Committee on Children in Armed Conflict (IAC-CIAC) which took on the task of implementing EO No. 56;

WHEREAS, the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Resolution Nos. 1539 (s. 2004) and 1612 (s. 2005) strongly urge Member States to establish a Monitoring and Reporting System on Grave Child Rights Violations in Situations of Armed Conflict, namely: 1) killing and maiming; 2) recruitment and use of children; 3) attack on schools and hospitals; 4) abduction of children; 5) rape and other grave sexual violence against children; and, 6) denial of humanitarian access;

WHEREAS, UNSC Resolution Nos. 1883 (s. 2009) and 1998 (s. 2011) call upon Member States to take decisive and immediate action against abuses committed against children in situations of armed conflict and bring violators thereof to justice through international justice mechanisms and domestic criminal courts and call for the integration of post-conflict recovery and reconstruction planning, programs and strategies; and,

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides for the continuing authority of the President to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby amend EO No. 56:

SECTION 1. Implementation of the CIAC Program Framework. The functions of OPAPP as lead agency in coordinating and monitoring the implementation of the CIAC Program Framework, as enhanced and approved by the CWC Board, are hereby transferred to CWC.

SECTION 2. Inter-agency Committee on Children in Armed Conflict. The Inter-Agency Committee on Children in Armed Conflict (IAC-CIAC), constituted by virtue of a Memorandum of Agreement signed on April 2007, is hereby formally established with the following members:

Chair: Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC)
Members: Commission on Human Rights (CHR)
Department of Education (DepEd)
Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA)
Department of the interior and Local Government (DILG)
Department of Health (DOH)
Department of National Defense – Armed Forces of the Philippines (DND-AFP)
Department of Justice (DOJ)
Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)
Philippine National Police (PNP)
Presidential Human Rights Committee (PHRC)
Presidential Management Staff (PMS)
Office of the Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process (OPAPP)

The CWC may require the participation of the heads of other departments and/or agencies, including government-owned or -controlled corporations (GOCCs), and invite LGUs, and representatives from the private sector and the academe, as it may deem necessary.

In line with the enhancement of the CIAC Program Framework, as well as the change in the composition of the IAC-CIAC, the Chair and Members of the IAC-CIAC shall enter into a new Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to delineate their specific functions and duties within 60 days from the effectivity of this EO.

SECTION 3. Functions of the IAC-CIAC. The IAC-CIAC shall advocate for the protection of children and the prevention of the involvement of children in armed conflict, and shall:

- a. Ensure that international instruments such as the UN CRC, the Optional Protocol on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict and other related human rights treaties are considered in all actions taken;
- b. Formulate guidelines and develop programs, in coordination with concerned agencies, for the handling of children involved in armed conflict and monitor/document cases of capture, surrender, arrest, rescue or recovery by government forces;
- c. Conduct human rights training, advocacy and information campaigns and capability-building of LGUs;
- d. Implement a monitoring, reporting, and response system for grave child rights violations in situations of armed conflict established under Section 5 hereof; and,
- e. Work closely with concerned agencies in coordinating and monitoring the implementation of the enhanced CIAC Program Framework.

SECTION 4. Formulation and Integration of Complementary Plans, Programs and Projects. National government agencies shall formulate and integrate the enhanced CIAC Program Framework in their respective annual plans, programs and projects consistent with their mandates. The CWC, with the IAC-CIAC, shall periodically review these plans to ensure policy and program synchronization.

LGUs of areas affected by armed conflict may also develop and implement complementary programs to carry out the enhanced CIAC Program Framework, in coordination with CWC.

SECTION 5. Establishment of a Monitoring, Reporting and Response System. A Monitoring, Reporting, and Response System for Grave Child Rights Violations in Situations of Armed Conflict (MRRS-GCRVSAC) is hereby created to act as the monitoring arm within the CIAC Program Framework with the primary objective of protecting children in situations of armed conflict by preventing the occurrence of grave child rights violations and ensuring the provision of appropriate and timely response in the event of such violations. The MRRS-GCRVSAC shall likewise generate standard data and information that will serve as the primary source on all matters pertaining to such violations.

CWC, as focal agency for the MRRS-GCRVSAC, is directed to establish the appropriate coordinative network at the national and local levels.

SECTION 6. Functions of the MRRS-GCRVSAC. The MRRS-GCRVSAC shall function as part of the enhanced CIAC Program Framework, specifically:

- a. Gather, validate and monitor reports of incidences of grave child rights violations (GCRVs) from national government agencies (NGAs), non-government organizations (NGOs), LGUs, peoples' organizations (POs) and faith-based organizations (FBOs);
- b. Ensure provision of appropriate and timely inter-agency response to GCRVs, through coordination and efficient referral system;
- c. Develop and implement an inter-agency communication plan on the prevention and response to GCRVs;
- d. Provide reports/updates on the incidence of GCRVs to the CWC Board for policy issuances and program development; and,
- e. Generate standard data and information that will serve as a primary government source on all matters pertaining to such GCRVs.

SECTION 7. Funding. Funds for the implementation of the enhanced CIAC Program Framework and its components shall be charged against the current appropriations of the participating agencies. Funding for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in their respective regular appropriations.

The CWC may receive contributions, grants, and/or other funds from, among others, government agencies and corporations, LGUs, local and foreign donors, development partners, and private sector/institutions, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 8. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this EO are hereby revoked and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Separability. If any provision of this EO is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 138: Amending Executive Order (EO) No. 56 (s. 2001) adopting the comprehensive program framework for children in armed conflict, strengthening the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 139
CREATING AN OFFICE OF THE REVENUE AGENCY MODERNIZATION (ORAM)
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (DOF)

WHEREAS, the present Administration is committed to increase the tax effort of the revenue generating agencies of the government from the current 12.9 percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to 16 percent by 2016;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 292, otherwise known as the “Administrative Code of 1987,” provides that the President has continuing authority to reorganize the Executive Department, allocate powers, functions and responsibilities, align resources, and provide clear direction to specific government agencies and units;

WHEREAS, under EO 292, the Department of Finance (DOF) is responsible for the formulation, institutionalization and administration of fiscal policies and for the generation and management of the financial resources of the government;

WHEREAS, consistent with the above mandate and in order to meet its fiscal and revenue targets, the DOF must spearhead efforts towards the rapid implementation of modernization, streamlining and efficiency efforts in revenue generating agencies attached to the DOF;

WHEREAS, the programs, procedures and practices of the revenue generating agencies need to be immediately upgraded, modernized and brought at par with global best practices and standards, consistent with the international commitments of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, there is a need to create a specialized body in the DOF which is tasked to implement the necessary improvements, changes and modernization of programs, procedures and practices in order to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of the revenue collection agencies;

WHEREAS, under Section 74 of Republic Act (RA) No. 10352, or the General Appropriations Act of 2013, the President may authorize organizational and staffing pattern changes in any department, bureau and office in the Executive Branch; and

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution expressly grants the President control of all executive departments, bureaus, agencies and offices.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Organization. There is hereby created in the DOF the ORAM, which shall be responsible for formulating and implementing the necessary improvements in the processes, systems and procedures of the revenue generating agencies in order to bring these at par with global best practices and standards.

The ORAM shall be under the direct supervision and control of the DOF Secretary, who may designate a subordinate official with the rank of Undersecretary to oversee the operations of the ORAM.

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions. The ORAM shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Review and evaluate together with other offices and agencies of the DOF, the implementation of current administrative systems in the revenue generating agencies, with due regard to efficiency and efficacy, and thereafter, propose and implement improvements to the same;
- b. Formulate and implement modern and enhanced systems, procedures, and organizational structures appropriate to address the most urgent needs of the revenue generating agencies;
- c. Formulate a Code of Ethics for personnel of the revenue generating bureaus/agencies and develop an effective enforcement mechanism to implement its provisions and enhance accountability and integrity;
- d. Recommend to the DOF Secretary such actions as may be necessary for the implementation of the proposals cited above; and,
- e. Perform any and all acts as may be necessary and lawful to the successful implementation of this Order.

SECTION 3. Personnel and Staffing Complement. The ORAM shall be composed of its organic personnel, as approved by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) upon recommendation of the Secretary of Finance, augmented and reinforced by DOF, Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR) and Bureau of Customs (BOC) personnel as well those detailed or seconded from other agencies, whether attached to the DOF or not. In addition, the ORAM, upon approval of the DOF Secretary, may hire or engage technical consultants to provide necessary support in the performance of its mandate.

SECTION 4. Rules and Regulations. The DOF Secretary is hereby authorized to promulgate and issue such rules and regulations and prescribe procedures and processes to enable the ORAM to effectively exercise its powers and discharge its duties and functions herein provided, to guide the general public and to enhance transparency and accountability in government.

SECTION 5. Performance Audit System. The ORAM shall develop a performance audit system that will monitor and measure actual performance of ORAM personnel as a basis for rewards and incentives, and punishment for nonfeasance or malfeasance, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations. For this purpose, the DOF Secretary, is hereby directed to develop appropriate performance standards for personnel appointed, designated, or detailed to the ORAM, and a personnel evaluation system that will advance accountability in the Office.

SECTION 6. Funding. The funds shall be sourced proportionately from the savings of the concerned departments, agencies, bureaus and offices as identified by the DBM and subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations. The DOF Secretary shall submit to DBM a proposed budget to cover the personnel requirements, maintenance and other operating expense, and capital outlays, if needed.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Repeal. All orders, issuances, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 139: Creating an Office of the Revenue Agency Modernization (ORAM) in the Department of Finance (DOF)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 140
CREATING A CUSTOMS POLICY RESEARCH OFFICE (CPRO)
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (DOF)

WHEREAS, the present Administration is committed to increase the tax effort of the revenue generating agencies of the government from the current 12.9 percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to 16 percent by 2016;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 292, otherwise known as the “Administrative Code of 1987,” provides that the President has continuing authority to reorganize the Executive Department, allocate powers, functions and responsibilities, align resources, and provide clear direction to specific government agencies and units;

WHEREAS, under EO 292, DOF is responsible for the formulation, institutionalization and administration of fiscal policies and for the generation and management of the financial resources of the government;

WHEREAS, consistent with the above mandate, the DOF Secretary must spearhead efforts towards the streamlining of procedures and processes in revenue generating bureaus attached to DOF, one of which is the Bureau of Customs (BOC);

WHEREAS, there is a need to create a policy-making body in DOF which shall specialize in the identification and evaluation of internationally-accepted customs administration practices and processes, and shall work towards maximizing the BOC’s revenue collection and building its integrity while ensuring harmonization and simplification of customs procedures;

WHEREAS, under Section 74 of Republic Act (RA) No. 10352, or the General Appropriations Act of 2013, the President may authorize organizational and staffing pattern changes in any department, bureau and office in the Executive Branch; and

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution expressly grants the President control of all executive departments, bureaus, agencies and offices.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Organization. There is hereby created in the DOF the CPRO, which shall be responsible for reviewing the customs administration policies, rules and procedures, and thereafter providing sound recommendations for the improvement of the same.

The CPRO shall be under the direct supervision and control of the DOF Secretary, who may designate a subordinate official with the rank of Undersecretary to oversee the operations of the CPRO.

SECTION 2. Powers and Functions. The CPRO shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Review and evaluate the provisions of existing rules, executive issuances, rules and regulations on tariff and customs, as well as international commitments of the Philippine Government

on customs matters, and recommended measures to update, rationalize and improve current policies and practices with the end view of:

- i. Simplifying customs procedures while ensuring harmonization with internationally-accepted customs administration practices and processes;
 - ii. Improving efficiency in the conduct and delivery of customs services;
 - iii. Ensuring proper collection, monitoring and storage of data, documents and records, which shall be accessible and readily available upon demand;
 - iv. Modernizing the systems and policies of the BOC to strengthen its capabilities in facing new challenges and opportunities;
 - v. Promoting the seamless flow of goods while protecting local industries;
 - vi. Maintaining transparency, preventing corruption, and safeguarding integrity in customs administration; and
 - vii. Maximizing BOC's revenue collection.
- b. Conduct research on modern regulatory practices on customs and tariff, and determine their applicability to the Philippine setting;
 - c. Draft the customs reform bills and work closely with the appropriate legislative liaison office for the shepherding of the same in Congress;
 - d. Formulate a framework for training modules to be administered to BOC personnel to ensure smooth transition to the enhanced procedures, processes, and organizational structures, with due regard to the role of BOC personnel as catalysts in the achievement of the BOC's development;
 - e. Recommend to the DOF Secretary such actions as may be necessary for the implementation of the proposals above; and
 - f. Perform any and all acts as may be necessary and lawful to successfully implement this EO.

SECTION 3. Personnel and Staffing Complement. The CPRO shall be composed of its organic personnel, as approved by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) upon recommendation of the DOF Secretary, augmented and reinforced by DOF and BOC personnel as well as those detailed or seconded from other agencies, whether attached to the DOF or not. In addition, the CPRO, upon approval of the DOF Secretary, may hire or engage technical consultants to provide necessary support in the performance of its mandate.

SECTION 4. Rules and Regulations. The DOF Secretary is hereby authorized to promulgate such rules and regulations and prescribe procedures and processes to enable the CPRO to effectively exercise its powers and discharge its duties and functions herein provided.

SECTION 5. Performance Audit System. The CPRO shall develop a performance audit system that will monitor and measure actual performance of CPRO personnel as a basis for rewards and incentives, and punishment for nonfeasance or malfeasance, subject to existing laws, rules and regulations. For this purpose, the DOF Secretary, is hereby directed to develop appropriate performance standards for personnel appointed, designated, or detailed to the CPRO, and a personnel evaluation system that will advance accountability in the Office.

SECTION 6. Funding. The funds shall be sourced proportionately from the savings of the concerned departments, agencies, bureaus and offices as identified by DBM and subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations. The DOF Secretary shall submit to DBM a

proposed budget to cover the personnel requirements, maintenance and other operating expense, and capital outlays, if needed.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Repeal. All orders, issuances, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 2nd day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 140: Creating a Customs Policy Research Office (CPRO) in the Department of Finance (DOF)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 141
TRANSFERRING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION (PNCC)
FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY (DTI) TO THE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT (OP)

WHEREAS, the PNCC was an acquired asset corporation under the Asset Privatization Trust which was under the OP;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 148 (s. 2002) attached PNCC to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) for policy and program coordination and for general supervision since they have allied functions, especially in the development of road networks within the country;

WHEREAS, EO 331 (s. 2004) attached PNCC to DTI due to the huge investment required in the development of expressways;

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 3, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987, the President of the Philippines has continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the OP, and may transfer any agency under the OP to any other department or agency as well as transfer agencies to the OP from other departments or agencies; and,

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 10149 provides that the appointive directors of PNCC are appointed by the President from a shortlist prepared by the Governance Commission for Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby transfer PNCC from DTI to the OP pursuant to paragraph 3, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987.

All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 141: Transferring the Philippine National Construction Corporation (PNCC) from the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to the Office of the President (OP)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 142
IMPLEMENTING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) AMONG
THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE PARTICIPATING MEMBER STATES OF THE ASSOCIATION
OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN) ON THE SECOND PILOT PROJECT
FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A REGIONAL SELF-CERTIFICATION SYSTEM
(“SECOND PILOT PROJECT”)

WHEREAS, ASEAN Leaders decided to establish an ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) by 2015 and adopted the AEC Blueprint at the 13th ASEAN Summit on 20 November 2007 to establish ASEAN as a single market and production base, making it more dynamic and competitive as an economic region where there is a free flow of goods, services, investment, skilled labor and capital;

WHEREAS, the Rules of Origin (ROO) play a crucial role in the achievement of a free flow of goods within the ASEAN single market;

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA), which was signed on 26 February 2009 in Cha-am, Thailand, and entered into force on 17 May 2010, provides for a framework to realize the free flow of goods in the region;

WHEREAS, Article 38 and Annexes 7 and 8 of ATIGA provide for the relevant modalities and procedures for the application of the preferential treatment to goods falling within the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA);

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 850 (s. 2009), which was issued to implement tariff reduction/elimination commitments in accordance with the obligations under Articles 19 and 21 of ATIGA, requires compliance with the applicable ATIGA ROO and its Operational Certification Procedure (OCP), including the submission of a valid Certificate of Origin (Form D), in order to avail of preferential tariff rates under ATIGA;

WHEREAS, the initiative to adopt a self-certification scheme in ASEAN emanated from the decision of the 22nd AFTA Council Meeting in August 2008 to develop mechanisms that will enhance the AFTA ROO and streamline certification procedures in line with the AEC Blueprint;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the “Work Plan for the Development and Operationalization of an ASEAN Self-Certification Regime,” endorsed by the 23rd AFTA Council Meeting, the MOU on the First Pilot Project was signed on 30 August 2010 by Brunei Darussalam, Malaysia and Singapore;

WHEREAS, following the decision of the 25th AFTA Council Meeting in August 2011 to allow other ASEAN Member States to have their own self-certification pilot project under a set of rules and conditions different from the First Pilot Project, the MOU on the Second Pilot Project was signed on 29 August 2012 by the Philippines, Indonesia and Lao People’s Democratic Republic;

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines ratified the MOU on the Second Pilot Project on 14 March 2013; and,

WHEREAS, during its meeting on 26 June 2013, the NEDA Board approved the Philippine implementation of the MOU on the Second Pilot Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Objective. The MOU on the Second Pilot Project, which is attached as an integral part of this Order, aims to implement a regional self-certification system within the AFTA, in preparation for the development and operationalization of an ASEAN-wide Self-Certification System by 2015.

SECTION 2. Self-Certification Scheme. Under the self-certification scheme, there shall be no need to present a Certificate of Origin (Form D) in claiming tariff preferences as it allows Certified Exporters to self-declare that their products have satisfied the ATIGA ROO by making such declaration on the commercial invoice.

SECTION 3. Procedural Arrangements. The MOU on the Second Pilot Project shall be implemented according to the modalities set out in its Annex.

SECTION 4. Obligations. Throughout the implementation of the MOU on the Second Pilot Project, the Philippines shall accord to goods originating from other participating Member States the preferential tariff treatment set out in Article 19 of ATIGA, upon the submission of either a Certificate of Origin (Form D), or an Invoice Declaration made by a Certified Exporter in accordance with the Annex of the MOU on the Second Pilot Project and the regulations of the Bureau of Customs (BOC).

SECTION 5. Implementing Agency. The BOC shall be the implementing agency for the MOU on the Second Pilot Project, and shall perform the following functions:

- a. Grant, suspend or revoke the status of Certified Exporters, subject to the qualifications/criteria/conditions it may impose;
- b. Monitor the proper use of the Certified Exporters status, including the verification of the authenticity and validity of the Invoice Declarations made;
- c. Monitor compliance of Certified Exporters with the laws, rules and regulations pertinent to exportation and importation; and
- d. Perform other appropriate functions consistent with the implementation of the MOU on the Second Pilot Project.

A Customs Administrative Order shall be issued by BOC for this purpose after consultations with relevant stakeholders.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity Clause. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation and shall remain in force until the termination of the MOU on the Second Pilot Project.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th of October, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Reference: Memorandum of Understanding among the Governments of the participating Member States of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the Second Pilot Project for the Implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System and Annex – Operational Certification Procedure

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 142: Implementing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) among the governments of the participating member states of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) on the second pilot project for the implementation of a Regional Self-Certification System ("Second Pilot Project")*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 143
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BAYBAY PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, PPA is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of Baybay in Baybay, Leyte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Baybay for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Baybay. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Baybay situated in the City of Baybay, Province of Leyte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 26 deg. 00' W. 330 m. from BLLM No. 1, Baybay Cadastre, thence:

S.	32 deg.	30'	E.,	250.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	58 deg.	00'	W.,	1,400.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	32 deg.	30'	W.,	510.00 m.	to point 4;
N.	58 deg.	00'	E.,	1,400.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	32 deg.	30'	E.,	260.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTEEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE (713,973) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Baybay Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 143: Declaring and delineating the Baybay Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 144

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE PALOMPON PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, PPA is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of Palompon in Palompon, Leyte is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Palompon for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Palompon. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Palompon situated in the Municipality of Palompon, Province of Leyte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 00 deg. 24' E., 302.29 m. from BLLM No. 1, Palompon Cadastre, thence:

S.	15 deg.	13'	W.,	107.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	74 deg.	47'	W.,	510.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	15 deg.	13'	E.,	381.57 m.	to point 4;
S.	75 deg.	41'	E.,	534.93 m.	to point 5;
S.	14 deg.	09'	W.,	58.21 m.	to point 6;
N.	77 deg.	15'	W.,	5.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	14 deg.	09'	W.,	20.00 m.	to point 8;
S.	77 deg.	15'	E.,	10.00 m.	to point 9;
S.	14 deg.	09'	W.,	50.00 m.	to point 10;
S.	14 deg.	09'	W.,	52.70 m.	to point 11;
N.	75 deg.	51'	W.,	10.00 m.	to point 12;
S.	15 deg.	13'	W.,	18.11 m.	to point 13;
N.	77 deg.	15'	W.,	13.30 m.	to point 14;
S.	15 deg.	13'	W.,	7.00 m.	to point 15;
N.	77 deg.	15'	W.,	10.00 m.	to point 16;
N.	15 deg.	13'	E.,	17.00 m.	to point 17;
N.	77 deg.	15'	W.,	10.00 m.	to point 18;

S.	15 deg.	13'	W.,	20.00 m.	to point 19;
S.	77 deg.	15'	E.,	10.00 m.	to point 20;
S.	15 deg.	13'	W.,	10.00 m.	to point 21;
S.	15 deg.	10'	W.,	64.70 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **TWO HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE (202,155) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Palompon Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 144: Declaring and delineating the Palompon Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 145

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE SAN ISIDRO PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, PPA is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of San Isidro in San Isidro, Northern Samar is one of the major and busiest ports in the country; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of San Isidro for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of San Isidro. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of San Isidro situated in the Municipality of San Isidro, Province of Northern Samar, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 84 deg. 50' W., 174.08 m. from BLLM No. 16, San Isidro, Northern Samar, thence:

S.	57 deg.	00'	W.,	60.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	09 deg.	00'	W.,	45.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	57 deg.	00'	W.,	50.00 m.	to point 4;
DUE WEST				30.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	57 deg.	00'	W.,	500.00 m.	to point 6;
N.	33 deg.	00'	W.,	500.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	55 deg.	57'	E.,	873.44 m.	to point 8;
S.	42 deg.	15'	E.,	308.83 m.	to point 9;
S.	07 deg.	46'	W.,	213.65 m.	to point 10;
S.	13 deg.	46'	E.,	68.91 m.	to point 11;
S.	64 deg.	00'	E.,	3.05 m.	to point 12;
S.	56 deg.	53'	E.,	26.88 m.	to point 13;
S.	40 deg.	37'	E.,	3.69 m.	to point 14;
S.	27 deg.	43'	E.,	0.94 m.	to point 15;
S.	58 deg.	21'	E.,	15.65 m.	to point 16;
S.	66 deg.	38'	E.,	2.68 m.	to point 17;
S.	73 deg.	21'	E.,	6.16 m.	to point 18;

S.	86 deg.	02'	E.,	2.75 m.	to point 19;
N.	89 deg.	27'	E.,	5.94 m.	to point 20;
N.	76 deg.	14'	E.,	5.90 m.	to point 21;
S.	40 deg.	48'	W.,	29.56 m.	to point 22;
S.	21 deg.	23'	W.,	6.50 m.	to point 23;
S.	52 deg.	28'	W.,	18.03 m.	to point 24;
S.	57 deg.	26'	W.,	18.02 m.	to point 25;
S.	67 deg.	18'	W.,	33.39 m.	to point 26;
S.	72 deg.	58'	W.,	26.26 m.	to point 27;
N.	45 deg.	36'	W.,	22.46 m.	to point 28;
N.	33 deg.	04'	E.,	2.75 m.	to point 29;
N.	50 deg.	54'	W.,	20.84 m.	to point 30;
N.	22 deg.	58'	E.,	23.23 m.	to point 31;
N.	56 deg.	29'	W.,	40.00 m.	to point of beginning;

Containing an area of **FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-NINE (451,749) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The San Isidro Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 146
DELEGATING TO THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD
THE POWER OF THE PRESIDENT TO APPROVE RECLAMATION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 525 (s. 1979) provides that the Public Estates Authority (PEA), presently the Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA), shall be primarily responsible for integrating, directing, and coordinating all reclamation projects for and on behalf of the national government and that all reclamation projects shall be approved by the President upon recommendation of the PRA;

WHEREAS, EO No. 543 (s. 2006) provides that the power of the President to approve reclamation projects shall be delegated to the PRA, through Its governing board, subject to compliance with existing laws and rules and subject to the condition that reclamation contracts to be executed with any person or entity shall go through public bidding;

WHEREAS, EO No. 292 (s. 1987), or the Administrative Code of 1987, provides that the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) shall be primarily responsible for formulating continuing, coordinated and fully integrated social and economic policies, plans, and programs, and that the President shall be the Chairperson of the NEDA Board;

WHEREAS, there is a need to ensure that reclamation initiatives or projects are coordinated and integrated at the national and regional levels of development planning and programming, consistent with established national priorities of the government, and synchronized with development planning, programming, and budgeting; and

WHEREAS, the President has the power to reorganize the offices and agencies in the Executive Department in line with the constitutionally-granted power of control over executive offices and by virtue of previous delegation of the legislative power to reorganize executive offices under existing statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Approval of Reclamation Projects. The power of the President to approve reclamation projects is hereby delegated to the NEDA Board. The PRA shall continue to process, evaluate and recommend the approval of all proposed reclamation projects to the NEDA Board. Proposed reclamation projects endorsed by the PRA to the NEDA Board should include all relevant documents as may be required by the NEDA Board, such as but not limited to Letters of Intent, Project Proposals, Pre-Feasibility Studies, draft agreement or contract. Such delegation however shall not be construed as diminishing the President's authority to modify, amend or nullify NEDA Board's action.

The NEDA Board approval shall be required:

- a) For reclamation projects initiated/proposed by PRA or any government entity allowed under existing laws to reclaim land;

- b) For reclamation projects initiated by the private sector/entity through PRA, Local Government Units (LGUs) or other government agencies authorized to reclaim land; and
- c) For reclamations / reclamation components of respective development projects of such agencies mandated to reclaim under their respective charters such as but not limited to the following agencies: Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), Laguna Lake Development Authority (LLDA), Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA), Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA), Philippine Veterans Investment Development Corporation (PHIVIDEDEC), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), and National Power Corporation (NPC).

SECTION 2. Powers, Functions, and Mandate of PRA. Except for the power to approve reclamation projects, all other powers, functions, and mandates of PRA shall be retained and exercised by PRA.

SECTION 3. Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC). Prior to the implementation of reclamation projects duly approved pursuant to Section 1 hereof, an ECC shall be secured from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR). No reclamation work shall commence without the required ECC.

SECTION 4. Competitive Bidding. All reclamation projects shall undergo competitive public bidding consistent with the government's thrust to promote transparency and competitiveness.

SECTION 5. Transitory Provision. In accomplishing the prescribed provisions herein, the following transitory provisions shall be complied with:

- a) This Order shall apply to all reclamation projects, including those initiated by LGUs and all other government agencies/government owned or controlled corporations including PPA, LLDA, BCDA, SBMA, PHIVIDEDEC, DPWH, NPC and others, for which there are no contracts/agreements yet executed between the government entity concerned and a private sector proponent prior to the effectivity of this Order.
- b) Within two (2) months after the effectivity of this Order, the PRA shall provide the NEDA Board a list of all reclamation projects approved by PRA and relevant information, i.e., project location, date approved by PRA, project proponents (government and private entities), total project cost/amount, and implementation period, classified as follows:
 - i. Under actual physical reclamation or implementation; and
 - ii. Not yet started with implementation or actual physical reclamation but either with duly executed contracts with a private sector proponent or are undergoing/undergone bidding or are yet to undergo bidding.

SECTION 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations. NEDA and PRA shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement this Order.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Repealing Clause. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 13th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 146: Delegating to the National Economic and Development Authority board the power of the President to approve reclamation projects*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 147
CREATING THE PHILIPPINE EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRIES TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, Section 28, Article II of the Philippine Constitution states that subject to reasonable conditions prescribed by law, the State shall adopt and implement a policy of full public disclosure of all its transactions involving public interest;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 7942, or the “Philippine Mining Act of 1995,” provides that it shall be the responsibility of the State to promote the rational exploration, development, utilization, and conservation of the country’s mineral resources through the combined efforts of government and the private sector in order to enhance national growth in a way that effectively safeguards the environment and protects the rights of affected communities;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 14 of the Executive Order (EO) No. 79 (s. 2012), the Philippine government commits to participate in the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) that sets international standards for transparency and accountability in the extractive industries and in government;

WHEREAS, the Philippine government is committed to ensure greater transparency and accountability in the extractive industries, specifically in the way the government collects, and companies pay taxes from extractive industries;

WHEREAS, the EITI requires the creation of a body that will perform all the necessary functions and complete all the requirements of the EITI process to be a “compliant country”; and

WHEREAS, the duty of the President under Section 17, Article VII of the Constitution includes the faithful execution of fundamental laws on public accountability and transparency.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Instituting the Philippine Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative. The Philippine Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (hereinafter referred to as PH-EITI) is hereby instituted.

SECTION 2. Creation and Composition of the PH-EITI Multi-stakeholder Group. In accordance with the EITI International Guidelines, the PH-EITI shall be implemented and operationalized through a multi-stakeholder group (MSG) and decision making body (hereinafter referred to as PH-EITI-MSG). It shall be headed by the Secretary of the DOF as the Chairperson who will be responsible for convening the group. It shall specifically consist of the following members:

- a. Five (5) Government Representatives chosen by the Mining Industry Coordinating Council (MICC), created pursuant to Section 9 of EO No. 79, which will include senior officials, duly deputized to represent their respective Secretaries; *provided that*, local government units shall be represented by the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines;
- b. Five (5) Business Group Representatives; and
- c. Five (5) Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) Representatives.

The Business Group and the CSOs shall each designate five (5) full and five (5) alternate representatives to the PH-EITI-MSG. Each organization, upon the decision of its members and through its own independent processes and governance mechanisms, can at any time replace their representatives in the PH-EITI-MSG; *provided that* such replacement shall only serve for the unexpired term of the representative replaced. Permanent and alternate members shall attend and participate in the PH-EITI-MSG meetings.

SECTION 3. Terms of the Members of PH-EITI MSG and Meetings. All members of the PH-EITI-MSG shall serve for a term of three (3) years. Representatives may be re-appointed subject to the independent processes and governance mechanisms of their respective organizations. It shall be the responsibility of each sector to ensure the continuity of representation and institutional memory within the PH-EITI-MSG.

The PH-EITI-MSG shall meet quarterly or as often as it may deem necessary. The quorum for such meetings shall require the presence of at least three (3) representatives each from the Government, the Business Group and the CSOs. The MSG shall make decisions by consensus.

SECTION 4. Mandates of the PH-EITI-MSG. The PH-EITI-MSG shall have the following mandates:

- a. Ensure sustained political commitment for the initiative and mobilize resources to sustain its activities and goals;
- b. Set the strategic direction required for effectively implementing the initiative in the Philippines;
- c. Assess and seek the removal of barriers to its implementation;
- d. Set the scope of the EITI process; and
- e. Ensure that the initiative is effectively integrated in the reform process outlined under EO No. 79 and any other related government reform agenda.

SECTION 5. Powers and Functions of the PH-EITI MSG. The PH-EITI-MSG shall have the following powers and functions:

- a. Ensure the commitment of the different stakeholders to the implementation of EITI;
- b. Define the strategic direction and scope of EITI in the Philippines;
- c. Craft, publish, review, and update a fully costed Country Work Plan in consultation with key PH-EITI stakeholders and oversee the implementation of the same;
- d. Produce all regular reports with contextual information about the extractive industries as may be required by PH-EITI implementation;
- e. Establish a mechanism for the EITI reconciliation process;
- f. Select and appoint an independent administrator/auditor to reconcile the government and industry reports;
- g. Direct and supervise the PH-EITI Secretariat in its various activities and establish its internal rules of procedure;
- h. Through its various members, conduct outreach to, and capability-building of, various sectors in support of the PH-EITI implementation at national and sub-national levels and communicate and build awareness about EITI and the progress of its implementation in the Philippines; and
- i. Perform such other functions as may be germane to the purpose for which it was created and consistent with this Order and the EITI Principles.

SECTION 6. PH-EITI Secretariat. The PH-EITI shall be assisted by a PH-EITI Secretariat whose composition shall be determined by the Secretary of Finance, in consultation with the PH-EITI-MSG. It shall hold office in the DOF, or such other government or private facilities as may be determined by the PH-EITI-MSG.

The PH-EITI Secretariat shall be composed of administrative and technical personnel as the PH-EITI-MSG may deem necessary to assist the PH-EITI-MSG in efficiently and effectively carrying out its powers and functions. The creation of additional *plantilla* positions and hiring of additional personnel to carry out the functions enumerated herein shall be authorized in coordination with, and subject to the approval of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM).

SECTION 7. Engagement of Consultants. The PH-EITI shall have the authority to engage the services of consultants or advisers as it may deem necessary to accomplish its objectives.

SECTION 8. Creation of the PH-EITI Technical Working Group and Assistance to PH-EITI. PH-EITI may create Technical Working Groups composed of departments, bureaus, offices, agencies or instrumentalities of the Government, including government-owned and controlled corporations, and representatives of the business sector and CSOs. All such agencies, offices, and representatives are hereby directed to extend such assistance and cooperation as the PH-EITI may need in the exercise of its powers, execution of its functions, and discharge of its duties and responsibilities.

SECTION 9. Funding. Upon the effectivity of this Order, the amount necessary to carry out its implementation shall be charged against the budget of the DOF. Thereafter, appropriations for the PH-EITI implementation shall be included in the budget of the DOF.

The PH-EITI shall have the authority to receive, disburse, and manage financial aid or grants from foreign and domestic entities to be utilized for the implementation of its objectives subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 10. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 11. Repealing Clause. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 26th day of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 147: Creating the Philippine Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 148

AMENDING SECTION 1 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 214 (S. 2003) AND IMPOSING THE APPLICABLE TARIFF RATES UNDER THE ASEAN TRADE IN GOODS AGREEMENT ON QUALIFIED IMPORTS FROM SPECIAL ECONOMIC AND/OR FREEPORT ZONES

WHEREAS, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) signed in 1992 the Agreement on the Common Effective Preferential Tariff (CEPT) Scheme for the ASEAN Free Trade Area (AFTA) to eliminate tariff barriers among its Member States;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 214 provides that products manufactured in ecozones, where at least 40% of their product content originates from any ASEAN Member State and is sold in the Philippine customs territory, shall be imposed the applicable CEPT rates on its qualified imported raw materials, subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as provided for in the Agreement on the CEPT Scheme for the AFTA;

WHEREAS, the ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA), ratified by the Philippines on 11 August 2009, consolidated all existing provisions under the CEPT Agreement and other relevant ASEAN economic agreements and instruments; and

WHEREAS, EO No. 850 (s. 2009), which took effect on 01 January 2010, was issued to implement the commitment to eliminate the tariff rates on the remaining products in the Inclusion List in the year 2010 under the CEPT Scheme for the AFTA/ATIGA.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Imposition of Preferential Tariff Rates. Section 1 of Executive Order (EO) No. 214 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Products manufactured in qualified special economic and/or freeport zones that enter the Philippine customs territory and qualify under the applicable rules of ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) Rules of Origin shall be entitled to the preferential rate of duty under ATIGA applicable to its raw materials based on the value of such raw materials, subject to applicable provisions of the laws governing such special economic and/or freeport zones.”

SECTION 2. Implementation. The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Finance (DOF), Board of Investments (BOI), Bureau of Customs (BOC), and the Special Economic and/or Freeport Zone Authorities, in coordination with relevant agencies, shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this Order within thirty (30) days following the complete publication of this Order.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity Clause. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 26th of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 148: Amending Section 1 of Executive Order No. 214 (s. 2003) and imposing the applicable tariff rates under the ASEAN trade in goods agreement on qualified imports from special economic and/or freeport zones*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 149

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE PLARIDEL PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of Plaridel provides passenger and cargo services to Cebu City, Tagbilaran City, and Larena, Siquijor; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the port zone of Plaridel for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Plaridel. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Plaridel situated in Barangay Looc, Municipality of Plaridel, Province of Misamis Occidental, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 66 deg. 54' E., 3,742.64 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-466, thence:

N.	28 deg.	57'	E.,	250.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	61 deg.	03'	E.,	250.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	28 deg.	57'	W.,	250.00 m.	to point 4;
N.	61 deg.	03'	W.,	250.00 m.	to point of beginning,

containing an area of **SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (62,500) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Plaridel Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 26th day of November, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 149: Declaring and delineating the Plaridel Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 150

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BUENAVISTA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of Buenavista is the primary port of Buenavista, Guimaras, servicing inter-island vessels plying the Buenavista, Guimaras – Parola, Iloilo City route and vice-versa; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the port zone of Buenavista for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Buenavista. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Buenavista situated in Barangay Sto. Rosario, the Municipality of Buenavista, Province of Guimaras, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 71 deg. 05' W., 3,893.79 m. from BLLM No. 1A, PLS-723D-C1, thence:

S.	12 deg.	53'	W.,	250.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	42 deg.	27'	W.,	200.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	77 deg.	07'	W.,	697.20 m.	to point 4;
N.	12 deg.	53'	E.,	738.41 m.	to point 5;
S.	77 deg.	07'	E.,	600.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	12 deg.	53'	W.,	120.00 m.	to point 7;
S.	31 deg.	25'	E.,	170.00 m.	to point 8;
S.	12 deg.	53'	W.,	70.00 m.	to point 9;
S.	83 deg.	57'	E.,	45.08 m.	to point 10;
N.	89 deg.	51'	E.,	33.26 m.	to point 11;
S.	12 deg.	54'	W.,	15.65 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIVE SQUARE METERS AND THREE SQUARE DECIMETERS (534,005.03)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Buenavista Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of

the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 150: Declaring and delineating the Buenavista Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 151

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE LIBERTAD PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of Libertad is the primary port of Libertad, Antique, catering to inter-regional ferry boat trips plying the Libertad (Antique) – Caluya Island – Semirara Island – San Jose (Mindoro Occidental) route and vice-versa; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the port zone of Libertad for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Libertad. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Libertad situated in Barangay Centro Weste, the Municipality of Libertad, Province of Antique, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 27 deg. 06' W., 114.63 m. from BLLM No. 1, thence:

N.	80 deg.	41'	E.,	6.23 m.	to point 2;
S.	07 deg.	19'	E.,	20.27 m.	to point 3;
S.	79 deg.	48'	E.,	314.10 m.	to point 4;
S.	51 deg.	47'	E.,	359.59 m.	to point 5;
S.	06 deg.	03'	E.,	200.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	83 deg.	57'	W.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	06 deg.	03'	W.,	320.00 m.	to point 8;
N.	49 deg.	53'	E.,	320.00 m.	to point 9;
N.	70 deg.	39'	E.,	170.00 m.	to point 10;
N.	80 deg.	21'	E.,	3.94 m.	to point 11;
N.	06 deg.	33'	W.,	20.19 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR SQUARE METERS AND NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE SQUARE DECIMETERS (433,224.929)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Libertad Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 151: Declaring and delineating the Libertad Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 152

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BUTUAN PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of Butuan in Butuan City, Agusan del Norte houses the PPA Port Management Office and services smaller vessels bound for Butuan City proper; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the port zone of Butuan for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Butuan. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Butuan situated in Butuan City, Province of Agusan del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 12 deg. 26' W., 674.40 m. from BLLM No. 1, TS-65, thence:

N.	77 deg.	47'	E.,	38.41 m.	to point 2;
N.	84 deg.	17'	E.,	314.63 m.	to point 3;
S.	21 deg.	07'	E.,	379.34 m.	to point 4;
S.	63 deg.	03'	W.,	299.58 m.	to point 5;
S.	63 deg.	06'	W.,	37.68 m.	to point 6;
S.	56 deg.	23'	W.,	6.12 m.	to point 7;
N.	27 deg.	15'	W.,	161.10 m.	to point 8;
S.	03 deg.	24'	E.,	13.63 m.	to point 9;
N.	27 deg.	01'	W.,	103.20 m.	to point 10;
N.	05 deg.	18'	W.,	19.17 m.	to point 11;
N.	34 deg.	23'	W.,	33.94 m.	to point 12;
N.	35 deg.	05'	W.,	5.91 m.	to point 13;
N.	39 deg.	07'	W.,	3.72 m.	to point 14;
N.	09 deg.	46'	W.,	103.22 m.	to point 15;
N.	25 deg.	42'	W.,	12.58 m.	to point 16;
N.	11 deg.	02'	W.,	17.00 m.	to point 17;
N.	82 deg.	18'	E.,	7.75 m.	to point 18;

N.	18 deg.	29'	W.,	37.60 m.	to point 19;
N.	09 deg.	18'	W.,	28.16 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX SQUARE METERS AND SIXTY-SEVEN SQUARE DECIMETERS (160,736.67)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Butuan Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 152: Declaring and delineating the Butuan Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 153
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE MASAO PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts;

WHEREAS, the Port of Masao in Butuan City, Agusan del Norte services domestic and foreign cargo vessels; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the port zone of Masao for the planning and development of necessary port facilities to support the demands of shipping trade within the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Masao. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Masao situated in Butuan City, Province of Agusan del Norte, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 80 deg. 56' W., 400.28 m. from BBM-24, PLS-22, thence:

S.	39 deg.	45'	W.,	1,300.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	65 deg.	45'	W.,	1,938.00 m.	to point 3;
N.	53 deg.	05'	W.,	2,650.00 m.	to point 4;
N.	39 deg.	40'	E.,	3,485.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	53 deg.	20'	E.,	3,500.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	39 deg.	01'	W.,	500.44 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **ELEVEN MILLION FOUR HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-ONE SQUARE METERS AND SEVENTY-EIGHT SQUARE DECIMETERS (11,497,521.78)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Masao Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 153: Declaring and delineating the Masao Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 154

**ADOPTING A NATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION TO PREVENT, DETER, AND ELIMINATE
ILLEGAL, UNREPORTED, AND UNREGULATED FISHING, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, Section 2 (c) of Republic Act (RA) No. 8550, or the “Philippine Fisheries Code of 1998,” provides that it is the policy of the State to ensure the rational and sustainable development, management, and conservation of the fishery and aquatic resources in Philippine waters, including the exclusive economic zone, and in the adjacent high seas, consistent with the primordial objective of maintaining a sound ecological balance, and protecting and enhancing the quality of the environment;

WHEREAS, illegal, unreported, and unregulated (IUU) fishing undermines national and regional efforts to manage fisheries in a sustainable manner, destroys marine habitats, jeopardizes the viability of resources, depletes fish stocks worldwide, and threatens the food and livelihood security of coastal communities;

WHEREAS, there is a need to address the ecological, biological, and socio-economic challenges posed by IUU fishing in a coordinated and integrated manner through a collaborative institutional mechanism involving the concerned departments and agencies of the government;

WHEREAS, the International Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter, and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (IPOA-IUU) was endorsed by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (UN-FAO) Council on 23 June 2001; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for the Philippines, as a member of UN-FAO, to develop and implement a national plan of action to achieve the objectives of the IPOA-IUU.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Adoption of the National Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing (NPOA-IUU). The NPOA-IUU for the Philippines, attached hereto as Annex A, is hereby adopted.

SECTION 2. Establishment of the Philippine Committee Against IUU Fishing. Pursuant to the NPOA-IUU, a Philippine Committee Against IUU Fishing (hereinafter referred to as the “Committee”) is hereby created, which shall be composed of, but not limited to, duly authorized representatives from the Office of the President, Department of Agriculture, Department of Transportation and Communications, Department of the Interior and Local Government, Department of Finance, Department of Justice, Department of National Defense, and Department of Foreign Affairs and their respective offices and attached agencies, including concerned economic zone authorities, as well as representatives from the private sector. The Secretary of Agriculture or his duly authorized representative shall serve as the Chairperson of the Committee.

The private sector members of the Committee shall be as follows: one (1) fisherfolk representative of the National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC), and two (2) municipal and two (2) commercial fishers from the National Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Management Council (NFARMC).

SECTION 3. Mandate. The Committee is mandated to ensure the implementation of the NPOA-IUU, to provide policy guidance and to develop capacity-building programs. The Committee shall also submit an annual report to the President on the implementation of this Order and of the NPOA-IUU.

SECTION 4. Secretariat. The Committee shall be assisted by a Secretariat to be headed by a Senior Technical Staff of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources duly designated by the Chairperson, endorsed by the Committee, and supported by sufficient number of staff, as may be deemed necessary by the Committee, in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 5. Authority to Accept Contributions or Donations. The Committee is hereby authorized to accept donations, contributions, grants, bequests, or gifts from foreign or local sources to be utilized in the implementation of the NPOA-IUU and in the performance of its mandate, in accordance with applicable laws and rules and subject to government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 6. Implementation. The Committee shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement this Order.

SECTION 7. Funding. The funding requirements shall be sourced from the annual appropriations of concerned departments and agencies.

SECTION 8. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Separability Clause. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 6th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Reference: National Plan of Action to Prevent, Deter and Eliminate Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2013). *Executive Order No. 154: Adopting a national plan of action to prevent, deter, and eliminate illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing, and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 155
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 160 (S. 2003), AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the present administration to eradicate corruption and improve the quality and efficiency of public service by continuously adopting institutional improvements and streamlining government bureaucracy;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 292, or the “Administrative Code of 1987,” provides that the Department of Finance (DOF) shall be primarily responsible for the sound and efficient management of the financial resources of the Government, its subdivisions, agencies and instrumentalities;

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Customs (BOC) is one of the revenue-generating agencies under the DOF;

WHEREAS, consistent with the reform measures being implemented in the BOC, there is a critical need to separate the functions of post-entry audit from the BOC in order to maintain independence and impartiality of audit functions and to ensure efficiency and integrity in government service;

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Intelligence Unit (FIU) was created in the DOF to identify potential revenue sources and leakages by analyzing data from the BOC and other revenue-generating agencies attached to DOF and to monitor their revenue performance;

WHEREAS, as affirmed by the Supreme Court, the President has the power to reorganize the offices and agencies in the executive department in line with the constitutionally-granted power of control over executive offices and by virtue of previous delegation of the legislative power to reorganize executive offices under existing statutes; and

WHEREAS, as declared by the Supreme Court, under the general appropriations act, the President may direct organizational and staffing pattern changes in any department, bureau, and office in the Executive Branch.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Amendment of Executive Order (EO) No. 160 (s. 2003). The DOF-FIU is hereby mandated to perform the following functions of the Post Entry Audit Group (PEAG) created under EO No. 160, and other tasks inherent or incidental thereto:

a. Trade Information and Risk Analysis Office

1. Set the framework and benchmarks for compliance measurements of industry groups;
2. In coordination with Management Information System and Technology Group, direct the development of a computer aided risk management system using the data warehousing technology and other statistical tools;
3. Implement the computer-aided risk management system to develop and establish audit selection parameters based on objective and quantifiable data;

4. Establish and recommend audit targets to the Commissioner of Customs;
5. Set policies, guidelines, manuals and standard operating procedures relating to the audit and continuously assess how audit performance can be improved by better and more fine-tuned policies and guidelines; and
6. Performs other related functions.

b. Compliance Assessment Office

1. Formulate an audit work plan for approved audit targets;
2. Conduct audit examination, inspection, verification or investigation in accordance with the set policies, guidelines, manuals, and standard operating procedures;
3. Prepare and submit audit reports;
4. Develop and implement a customs compliance program; and
5. Perform other related functions.

SECTION 2. Winding-Up of the Operations and Disposition of Functions. The winding-up of operations of PEAG, including the final disposition or transfer of their functions, assets and liabilities, shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Rules and Regulations Implementing EO No. 72 (s. 2002), or “Rationalizing the Agencies Under or Attached to the Office of the President.” Affected officers and employees of PEAG shall be absorbed by the BOC, without prejudice to the rights and benefits granted them under existing laws, rules, and regulations.

The Department of Budget and Management, with the assistance of appropriate departments, agencies and instrumentalities, shall ensure the smooth and efficient implementation of the winding-up activities.

SECTION 3. Separability. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 4. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 18th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 156
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 461 (S. 2005) AND ADJUSTING
THE OVERSEAS, LIVING QUARTERS, REPRESENTATION,
AND FAMILY ALLOWANCES OF FOREIGN SERVICE PERSONNEL

WHEREAS, Section 63 of Republic Act (RA) No. 7157, otherwise known as the “Philippine Foreign Service Act of 1991,” provided for the overseas, living quarters, representation, and family allowances, among others, of foreign service personnel;

WHEREAS, Section 64 of RA 7157 further provides that the President shall approve, upon recommendation of the Secretaries of Foreign Affairs and of Budget and Management, rates, indices, maximum allowable amounts, and policies on allowances which shall be applicable to all national government employees stationed abroad;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 461 (s. 2005) sets the present rates of overseas, living quarters, representation, and family allowances of foreign service personnel;

WHEREAS, a 10% increase in the overseas, living quarters and family allowances for 31 posts was authorized in 2008;

WHEREAS, significant economic changes raised the cost of living abroad; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the government to provide, within its financial capability, personnel assigned abroad with adequate means to enable them to represent the country with distinction and dignity.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby approve the following rates, rules, and regulations in the payment of allowances to personnel of the National Government in the Foreign Service.

SECTION 1. Base Rates of Overseas Allowance. The annual base rates of Overseas Allowance provided under EO 461 for all Philippine government personnel stationed abroad are hereby amended as follows:

RANK	RATE IN US DOLLARS	
	FROM	TO
Chief of Mission I	69,599	83,519
Chief of Mission II	60,521	72,625
Career Minister	52,626	63,151
Foreign Service Officer I	45,762	54,914
Foreign Service Officer II	41,601	49,921
Foreign Service Officer III	37,819	45,383
Foreign Service Officer IV	34,382	41,258
Foreign Service Staff Officer I	34,382	41,258
Foreign Service Staff Officer II	32,744	39,293
Foreign Service Staff Officer III	31,185	37,422

RANK	RATE IN US DOLLARS	
	FROM	TO
Foreign Service Staff Officer IV	29,700	35,640
Foreign Service Staff Employee I	27,000	32,400
Foreign Service Staff Employee II	25,714	30,857
Foreign Service Staff Employee III	24,490	29,388

Section 2. Indices of Overseas Allowance. The Overseas Allowance indices provided under EO 461 are hereby revised and the newly proposed posts are also given an index as follows:

COUNTRY/POST	INDEX	
	FROM	TO
Argentina – Buenos Aires	82	83
Australia – Canberra	90	103
Australia – Sydney	90	103
Austria – Vienna	96	100
Bahrain – Manama	91	90
Bangladesh – Dhaka	77	85
Belgium – Brussels	94	100
Brazil – Brasilia	82	96
Brunei – Bandar Seri Begawan	75	86
Cambodia – Phnom Penh	75	83
Canada – Ottawa	91	91
Canada – Toronto	93	95
Canada – Vancouver	91	93
Chile – Santiago	82	89
China – Beijing	89	96
China – Chongqing	--	95
China – Guangzhou	89	95
China – Hong Kong	100	100
China – Macau	--	96
China – Shanghai	89	96
China – Xiamen	89	91
Czech Republic – Prague	90	88
Egypt – Cairo	76	84
France – Paris	98	102
Germany – Berlin	98	94
Greece – Athens	89	88
Hungary – Budapest	92	88
India – New Delhi	79	85
Indonesia – Jakarta	81	88
Indonesia – Manado	70	70
Iran – Tehran	83	80
Iraq – Baghdad	84	92
Israel – Tel Aviv	90	91
Italy – Milan	96	99

COUNTRY/POST	INDEX	
	FROM	TO
Italy – Rome	96	99
Japan – Osaka	128	123
Japan – Tokyo	128	123
Jordan – Amman	77	88
Kenya – Nairobi	78	86
Kuwait – Kuwait	81	88
Laos – Vientiane	80	91
Lebanon – Beirut	90	92
Libya – Tripoli	82	81
Malaysia – Kuala Lumpur	75	86
Mexico – Mexico City	85	93
Myanmar – Yangon	83	91
Netherlands – The Hague	93	95
New Zealand – Wellington	90	105
Nigeria – Abuja	93	102
Norway – Oslo	105	113
Oman – Muscat	81	86
Pakistan – Islamabad	80	85
Papua New Guinea – Port Moresby	88	98
Poland – Warsaw	85	86
Portugal – Lisbon	87	94
Qatar – Doha	79	90
Russia – Moscow	95	110
Saudi Arabia – Jeddah	86	85
Saudi Arabia – Riyadh	86	90
Singapore – Singapore	80	93
South Africa – Pretoria	92	85
South Korea – Seoul	107	98
Spain – Madrid	94	93
Switzerland – Berne	107	103
Switzerland – Geneva	107	114
Syria – Damascus	--	89
Thailand – Bangkok	77	89
Timor Leste – Dili	89	94
Turkey – Ankara	86	94
United Arab Emirates – Abu Dhabi	86	94
United Arab Emirates – Dubai	86	90
United Kingdom – London	100	105
United States of America – Agana	100	102
United States of America – Chicago	100	98
United States of America – Honolulu	100	102
United States of America – Los Angeles	100	95
United States of America – New York	100	100
United States of America – San Francisco	100	98

COUNTRY/POST	INDEX	
	FROM	TO
United States of America – Washington D.C.	100	94
Vatican – Holy See	96	99
Vietnam – Hanoi	79	83

SECTION 3. Rules Governing Overseas Allowance. The following are the rules governing the grant of Overseas Allowance:

- a. The grant of Overseas Allowance shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 66 of RA 7157;
- b. Husband and wife who are assigned in the same post shall be entitled to separate Overseas Allowances corresponding to their respective ranks;
- c. In instances where the adjusted amount of Overseas Allowance is lower than the amount currently received, the new rate and index shall be applied prospectively. The personnel concerned shall continue to receive their present Overseas Allowance for the duration of the tour of duty at the post;
- d. Hardship posts, as may be determined by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, shall receive an additional five percent (5%) increase in their Overseas Allowance to meet other expenses brought about by dangerous, unhealthy, or excessively adverse living conditions prevailing at post, subject to the availability of funds; and
- e. Foreign Service personnel assigned abroad who are detailed to another post shall, for the duration of the detail, be entitled to the Overseas Allowance index of the post where they are temporarily assigned.

SECTION 4. Base Rates of Living Quarters Allowance. The annual base rates of Living Quarters Allowance provided under EO 461 for all Philippine government personnel stationed abroad are hereby amended as follows:

RANK	RATE IN US DOLLARS			
	WITH FAMILY		WITHOUT FAMILY	
	FROM	TO	FROM	TO
Chief of Mission I	42,871	60,134	35,041	50,112
Chief of Mission II	35,723	52,286	29,199	43,574
Career Minister	31,064	45,475	25,394	37,894
Foreign Service Officer I	28,244	39,542	23,080	32,947
Foreign Service Officer II	25,674	35,942	20,986	29,952
Foreign Service Officer III	23,341	32,674	19,079	27,230
Foreign Service Officer IV	21,218	29,707	17,342	24,754
Foreign Service Staff Officer I	21,218	29,707	17,342	24,754
Foreign Service Staff Officer II	19,288	28,282	16,518	23,573
Foreign Service Staff Officer III	18,371	26,942	15,731	22,457
Foreign Service Staff Officer IV	17,496	25,661	14,980	21,384
Foreign Service Staff Employee I	15,868	23,328	13,588	19,440
Foreign Service Staff Employee II	15,868	23,328	13,588	19,440
Foreign Service Staff Employee III	15,868	23,328	13,588	19,440

SECTION 5. Indices of Living Quarters Allowance. The Living Quarters Allowance indices provided under EO 461 are hereby revised and the newly opened posts are each given an index as follows:

COUNTRY/POST	INDEX	
	FROM	TO
Argentina – Buenos Aires	90	75
Australia – Canberra	97	85
Australia – Sydney	100	87
Austria – Vienna	130	107
Bahrain – Manama	100	82
Bangladesh – Dhaka	65	61
Belgium – Brussels	130	107
Brazil – Brasilia	110	91
Brunei – Bandar Seri Begawan	95	75
Cambodia – Phnom Penh	90	73
Canada – Ottawa	102	85
Canada – Toronto	102	87
Canada – Vancouver	102	87
Chile – Santiago	90	75
China – Beijing	95	85
China – Chongqing	--	85
China – Guangzhou	100	85
China – Hong Kong	115	102
China – Macau	–	90
China – Shanghai	100	93
China – Xiamen	95	75
Czech Republic – Prague	130	107
Egypt – Cairo	95	77
France – Paris	130	107
Germany – Berlin	130	107
Greece – Athens	130	107
Hungary – Budapest	130	107
India – New Delhi	70	65
Indonesia – Jakarta	95	78
Indonesia – Manado	70	55
Iran – Tehran	95	77
Iraq – Baghdad	100	80
Israel – Tel Aviv	125	98
Italy – Milan	130	107
Italy – Rome	130	107
Japan – Osaka	150	124
Japan – Tokyo	150	128
Jordan – Amman	100	80
Kenya – Nairobi	90	74
Kuwait – Kuwait	100	82

Laos – Vientiane	70	65
Lebanon – Beirut	125	98
Libya – Tripoli	100	79
Malaysia – Kuala Lumpur	90	75
Mexico – Mexico	115	90
Myanmar – Yangon	70	66
Netherlands – The Hague	130	107
New Zealand – Wellington	115	95
Nigeria – Abuja	90	82
Norway – Oslo	130	107
Oman – Muscat	100	80
Pakistan – Islamabad	70	64
Papua New Guinea – Port Moresby	115	101
Poland – Warsaw	130	103
Portugal – Lisbon	130	103
Qatar – Doha	100	86
Russia – Moscow	130	107
Saudi Arabia – Jeddah	100	80
Saudi Arabia – Riyadh	100	82
Singapore – Singapore	100	92
South Africa – Pretoria	100	79
South Korea – Seoul	125	102
Spain – Madrid	130	107
Switzerland – Berne	130	107
Switzerland – Geneva	130	109
Syria – Damascus	--	98
Thailand – Bangkok	95	80
Timor Leste – Dili	100	83
Turkey – Ankara	110	91
United Arab Emirates – Abu Dhabi	100	88
United Arab Emirates – Dubai	100	90
United Kingdom – London	130	107
United States of America – Agana	100	95
United States of America – Chicago	100	98
United States of America – Honolulu	110	98
United States of America – Los Angeles	100	95
United States of America – New York	100	100
United States of America – San Francisco	100	98
United States of America – Washington DC	100	90
Vatican – Holy See	130	107
Vietnam – Hanoi	70	63

SECTION 6. Rules Governing Living Quarters Allowance. The following are the rules governing the grant of Living Quarters Allowance:

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- a. The grant of Living Quarters Allowance shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 65 of RA 7157;
 - b. In instances where the adjusted amount of Living Quarters Allowance is lower than the amount currently received, the new rate and index shall be applied prospectively. The personnel concerned shall continue to receive their present Living Quarters Allowance for the duration of the tour of duty at the post;
 - c. For purposes of this allowance, personnel who are living at post of assignment with the spouse or at least one (1) qualified dependent child who is not over 18 years of age shall be considered with family;
 - d. Unmarried children who are mentally or physically handicapped as attested to by a medical certificate, incapable of supporting themselves, and living with the officer or employee abroad, shall be considered for this purpose, regardless of age, as dependents;
 - e. Payment of the allowance shall be made strictly on the basis of actual status at the post;
 - f. Those whose dependents have temporarily left their residence at post shall retain their “with family” status; provided, that for the duration of their absence, the personnel concerned shall not move to a cheaper or smaller lodging; provided, further, that their absence at any one time shall not exceed three (3) months; provided, finally, that the dependents have not established residence elsewhere. Gainful employment outside of post is an indication of having changed residence;
 - g. In the case of husband and wife who are both assigned in one (1) post, only the spouse with the higher rank shall be entitled to the Living Quarters Allowance while the other spouse shall be considered as dependent for purposes of family status;
 - h. Section 6 (g) above also applies to husband and wife who are assigned to two (2) different posts, as follows:
 - i. Philippine Embassy Jakarta and the Philippine Mission to ASEAN Jakarta;
 - ii. Philippine Consulate General New York and the Philippine Mission to the United Nations New York;
 - iii. Philippine Embassy Rome and the Philippine Embassy Vatican;
 - iv. Philippine Mission to the United Nations and Other International Organizations Geneva and the Philippine Permanent Mission to the World Trade Organization Geneva; and
 - v. All other similar posts that may subsequently be opened.
 - i. In cases where two (2) or more foreign service personnel are constrained to rent one (1) apartment or housing unit jointly, due to acute housing shortage, prohibitive rental cost, or other circumstances, the claimants shall be entitled to their respective allowances; provided, that the Head of Post shall certify in the claim voucher that their individual allowance is insufficient to cover the rental of one (1) apartment or housing unit at the post;
 - j. In posts where there is a standard practice among landlords to require advance rental or deposit equivalent to at least six (6) months to one (1) year rental of unit, advance payment of the Living Quarters Allowance sufficient to cover the required amount may be authorized; provided, that the advance rental shall be paid directly to the landlord by the post; provided, further, that, the claimant shall submit to the Home Office a copy of the pertinent contract of lease duly certified by the Head of Post which should invariably contain a diplomatic clause; provided, finally, that, in case of recall, reassignment, or for any other reason, the unexpired portion of the amount paid shall be duly refunded to the post, subject however to
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the condition that in case of force majeure whereby the unexpired portion is not refunded, the claimant shall not be held accountable;

- k. In places where the new lessees are invariably required at the outset to pay key money for goodwill and in places where lessees are required by the host government, or by customary business practice, to rent a house or apartment unit through an agent and pay the corresponding real estate agent's fee or commission upon signing of the lease contract, payment of the above may be authorized, chargeable against the account of the Department concerned; provided, that the Head of Post shall certify in the pertinent cash voucher that such payments are required by the host government or customary at the post and not refunded by the owner to the lessee; provided, further, that any key money and/or real estate agent's fee or commission that may be required upon renewal of the lease contract shall likewise be chargeable against the account of the Department concerned;
- l. In lieu of commutable Living Quarters Allowance, payment of actual rental of quarters occupied by the Head of Post may be authorized, subject to the availability of funds and as may be warranted by the housing situation in the post of assignment;
- m. Payment of utilities shall be in accordance with regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs;
- n. The grant of Living Quarters Allowance is intended to accord foreign service personnel proper representation in the host country and not to augment salary;
- o. In every case, the use of the allowance shall be in accordance with the purpose for which it has been authorized by law; and
- p. In all cases, the grant of commutable Living Quarters Allowance to all foreign service personnel, or its authorized equivalent such as, but not limited to, payment of actual rental of quarters and utilities, shall be subject to regulations as may be prescribed by the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, provided that the allowance shall not exceed the rates authorized herein.

SECTION 7. Classification of Posts for the Representation Allowance. Philippine foreign service posts are categorized into high, medium and low cost posts, as follows:

- a. **High Cost Posts.** High Cost Posts have an Overseas Allowance index of 98 and above;
- b. **Medium Cost Posts.** Medium Cost Posts have an Overseas Allowance index of 90 to 97; and
- c. **Low Cost Posts.** Low Cost Posts have an Overseas Allowance index of 89 and below.

SECTION 8. Rates of Representation Allowance. The Representation Allowance per annum shall be granted in accordance with the provisions of Section 70 of RA 7157, as follows:

	RATE IN US DOLLARS	
	FROM	TO
a. HIGH COST POSTS		
Chief of Mission (not Head of Post)	6,000	7,200
Career Minister	4,500	5,400
Foreign Service Officer I	3,600	4,320
Foreign Service Officer II	2,700	3,240
Foreign Service Officer III	1,800	2,160
Foreign Service Officer IV	1,800	2,160

	RATE IN US DOLLARS	
	FROM	TO
Foreign Service Staff Officer I	1,440	1,728
Others duly authorized by the Secretary	1,440	1,728
b. MEDIUM COST POSTS		
Chief of Mission (not Head of Post)	3,600	4,320
Career Minister	3,600	4,320
Foreign Service Officer I	2,880	3,456
Foreign Service Officer II	2,160	2,592
Foreign Service Officer III	1,440	1,728
Foreign Service Officer IV	1,440	1,728
Foreign Service Staff Officer I	1,080	1,296
Others duly authorized by the Secretary	1,080	1,296
c. LOW COST POSTS		
Chief of Mission (not Head of Post)	2,700	3,240
Career Minister	2,700	3,240
Foreign Service Officer I	2,100	2,520
Foreign Service Officer II	1,620	1,944
Foreign Service Officer III	1,080	1,296
Foreign Service Officer IV	1,080	1,296
Foreign Service Staff Officer I	900	1,080
Others duly authorized by the Secretary	900	1,080

In instances where the adjusted amount of Representation Allowance is lower than the amount currently received, the new rate and index shall be applied prospectively. The personnel concerned shall continue to receive their present rate of Representation Allowance for the duration of the tour of duty at the post.

SECTION 9. Family Allowance. The following are the rules governing the grant of Family Allowance:

- a. Officers or employees, except foreign, casual, or contractual employees, assigned abroad and whose families reside with them at the post of assignment, are entitled to commutable family allowance, as follows:
 - i. US \$250.00 monthly for the unemployed dependent spouse; and
 - ii. US \$150.00 monthly for each dependent child not exceeding three (3) in number.
- b. For this purpose, a dependent child shall mean legitimate, illegitimate, legitimated, or legally adopted child who is not over eighteen (18) years, unmarried, not gainfully employed, and living with the officer or employee at the post of assignment.
- c. Unmarried children, regardless of age, who are mentally or physically handicapped as attested by a medical certificate, incapable of supporting themselves, and living with the officer or employee abroad, shall be considered, for this purpose, as dependents.

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- d. Subject to the prior approval of the Department Head concerned, full Family Allowance may be paid to claimants whose dependent does not live with them at the post of assignment under any of the following circumstances:
- i. They are compelled to live alone due to dangerous, notably unhealthy or excessively adverse living conditions, or by any other unavoidable circumstances like lack of appropriate/reasonable educational facilities for their children; or
 - ii. For the convenience of the Government, they must live alone without any or all the members of his/her family at the post of assignment.

All other meritorious cases may be considered by the Department Head as the circumstances and the exigencies of the Service may warrant.

SECTION 10. Mode of Payment. Effective upon full implementation of this Order, payment of the foregoing allowances may be made either in US dollars or in the local currency computed at the prevailing market rate.

SECTION 11. Adjustment of Rates. The allowances covered herein may be comprehensively reviewed and adjusted every two (2) years by the Secretaries of Foreign Affairs and Budget and Management, upon approval by the President, to respond to substantial changes in the economic climate, subject to availability of funds.

In dire economic situations, such as sudden foreign exchange fluctuations and a surge in inflation rates, stop-gap adjustments may be recommended by the Secretaries of Foreign Affairs and Budget and Management, on a per post basis, for approval of the President, subject to the availability of funds.

In case of a newly opened post which is not included in this Order, the rates/indices/classification of the nearest post in terms of economic conditions thereat shall apply, pending Executive approval of an appropriate index for the post.

SECTION 12. Tax Exemption. All allowances, per diems, benefits received by officers and employees in consideration of their services while on assignment abroad, except their basic salaries, shall be exempt from Philippine income tax.

SECTION 13. Funding. For the initial year of implementation, the amount needed to cover the foregoing adjustments in the allowances of foreign service personnel stationed abroad shall be taken from agency savings and/or the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund (MPBF). Thereafter, such amounts as may be necessary shall be incorporated in the budget of the Department or the agency concerned.

SECTION 14. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR). The Secretary of Foreign Affairs shall issue the IRR for the implementation of this Order.

SECTION 15. Repeal. This Order supersedes EO 461. All other issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 16. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 17. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation. Starting 01 July 2013, the allowances covered under this Order shall be computed using the rates prescribed herein.

DONE in the City of Manila this 23rd day of December, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 157

MODIFYING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE AMENDED TARIFF REDUCTION SCHEDULE ON MOTOR VEHICLES' COMPONENTS, PARTS AND/OR ACCESSORIES UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 767 PURSUANT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND JAPAN FOR AN ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP

WHEREAS, the Agreement Between the Republic of the Philippines and Japan for an Economic Partnership (PJEPa) was signed by the Heads of Government of the Philippines and Japan on 09 September 2006, and ratified by the Philippine Senate, through Resolution No. 131, on 08 October 2008;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order (EO) No. 767 (s. 2008) provides that, as indicated in the Notes for the Schedule of the Philippines under the PJEPa, the rates of duty of certain products represented with the symbol "S" shall be subject to negotiations in 2009;

WHEREAS, paragraph 4 (a) (ii), Section 1, Part 3 of Annex 1 of PJEPa further provides that the rates of duty of certain products indicated with symbol "S" in Column 4 and number "4" in Column 5 in the Schedule of the Philippines shall be eliminated in 2013;

WHEREAS, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board, during its meeting on 26 June 2013, approved the tariff reduction schedule on the remaining motor vehicles' components, parts and/or accessories indicated with symbol "S" in Column 4 and number "4" in Column 5 in the Schedule of the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, authorizes the President, upon NEDA's recommendation, to modify import duties for the promotion of foreign trade.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reduction of Tariff Rates on Motor Vehicles' Components, Parts, and/or Accessories. The articles specifically listed in the attached Annex (Articles Granted Concessions under the PJEPa) hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the rates of duty in accordance with the schedule indicated in Column 4 of said Annex.

SECTION 2. Applicable PJEPa Rates. For Japan, the applicable rate shall be the PJEPa rate subject to the submission of the proper Certificate of Origin (CO) Form JP. Pursuant to Section 1313 (a) of the TCCP, as amended, the Tariff Commission may, upon request, issue tariff classification rulings to confirm the applicable rates of duty of particular products subject to this section.

SECTION 3. Rates of Articles in the Annex Subject to Rules of Origin. All articles listed in the Annex which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be

imposed the rates of duty therein prescribed subject to compliance with the Rules of Origin as provided for in Chapter 3 of PJEPA.

SECTION 4. Right of Recourse. Nothing in this Order shall preclude the Philippines from invoking its right of recourse to all trade remedy measures provided for in the law, the PJEPA and other relevant international agreements as an effective device against import surges.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 13th of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 157: Modifying the rates of import duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines, as amended, in order to implement the amended tariff reduction schedule on motor vehicles' components, parts and/or accessories under Executive Order No. 767 pursuant to the agreement between the Republic of the Philippines and Japan for an economic partnership*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 158**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE ROXAS PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article IV of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, or the “Revised Charter of the PPA,” provides that the PPA may submit to the President, through the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts (Port Zones);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 410 (s. 1990), which provides for new guidelines for the processing of applications for port zone delineation, states that applications which are jointly recommended for approval by the Philippine Ports Authority and Regional Development Council shall be submitted directly to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the Port of Roxas caters to both Roll-on and Roll-off (RoRo) and non-RoRo vessels plying the Roxas-Caticlan route, as well as to smaller passenger/cargo boats plying the Roxas-Romblon route;

WHEREAS, the said Port serves as an exit/entry point of transport along Panay-Mindoro harbour; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Roxas for the planning, development, financing, and operation of said Port with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Roxas. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Roxas situated in Barangay Dangay, Municipality of Roxas, Province of Oriental Mindoro, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 81 deg. 45' W., 296.74 m. from BM located at the back-up area beside the weigh bridge of the Port of Roxas, Oriental Mindoro, thence:

N.	33 deg.	07'	E.,	201.07 m.	to point 2;
N.	36 deg.	30'	E.,	17.89 m.	to point 3;
N.	43 deg.	07'	E.,	225.62 m.	to point 4;
S.	57 deg.	00'	E.,	800.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	31 deg.	45'	W.,	776.31 m.	to point 6;
N.	57 deg.	00'	W.,	850.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	14 deg.	39'	E.,	30.95 m.	to point 8;
N.	23 deg.	01'	E.,	6.86 m.	to point 9;
N.	32 deg.	11'	E.,	35.64 m.	to point 10;

N.	51 deg.	15'	E.,	46.49 m.	to point 11;
N.	44 deg.	17'	E.,	9.07 m.	to point 12;
N.	39 deg.	04'	E.,	7.59 m.	to point 13;
N.	37 deg.	40'	E.,	23.94 m.	to point 14;
N.	35 deg.	35'	E.,	34.22 m.	to point 15;
N.	21 deg.	01'	E.,	71.26 m.	to point 16;
N.	17 deg.	20'	E.,	11.54 m.	to point 17;
N.	23 deg.	31'	E.,	28.82 m.	to point 18;
N.	42 deg.	56'	E.,	30.91 m.	to point 19;
N.	32 deg.	00'	E.,	5.46 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **SIX HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY (652,860) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Roxas Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 158: Declaring and delineating the Roxas Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 159**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE BULALACAO PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article IV of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, or the “Revised Charter of the PPA,” provides that the PPA may submit to the President, through the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts (Port Zones);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 410 (s. 1990), which provides for new guidelines for the processing of applications for port zone delineation, states that applications which are jointly recommended for approval by the Philippine Ports Authority and Regional Development Council shall be submitted directly to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the Port of Bulalacao is expected to play a major role in the RoRo operation of the Province as an alternative port to the Port of Roxas;

WHEREAS, the port area will primarily be devoted to commercial vessel operations; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Bulalacao for the planning, development, financing, and operation of said Port with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Bulalacao. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Bulalacao situated in Sitio Kabangkalan, Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of Bulalacao, Province of Oriental Mindoro, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 15 deg. 15' W., 1,313.40 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-395-D, Bulalacao, Oriental Mindoro, thence:

N.	10 deg.	18'	E.,	17.17 m.	to point 2;
N.	36 deg.	15'	W.,	85.31 m.	to point 3;
N.	21 deg.	40'	E.,	410.51 m.	to point 4;
S.	68 deg.	20'	E.,	600.00 m.	to point 5;
S.	21 deg.	40'	W.,	1,500.00 m.	to point 6;
N.	68 deg.	20'	W.,	408.96 m.	to point 7;
N.	59 deg.	26'	W.,	156.08 m.	to point 8;
N.	16 deg.	35'	E.,	192.24 m.	to point 9;
N.	20 deg.	10'	E.,	409.11 m.	to point 10;
N.	45 deg.	22'	E.,	147.21 m.	to point 11;

N.	27 deg.	49'	E.,	199.50 m.	to point 12;
N.	10 deg.	18'	E.,	70.93 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THREE (856,403) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Bulalacao Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 159: Declaring and delineating the Bulalacao Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 160

DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE LIPATA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article IV of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, or the “Revised Charter of the PPA,” provides that the PPA may submit to the President, through the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts (Port Zones);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 410 (s. 1990), which provides for new guidelines for the processing of applications for port zone delineation, states that applications which are jointly recommended for approval by the Philippine Ports Authority and Regional Development Council shall be submitted directly to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the Port of Lipata caters to domestic cargo vessels with major outgoing cargo consisting of palay, rice and fish products while the major incoming cargo consists of cements, fertilizers and general cargo, as well as inter-island (cargo/passenger) vessel plying the Manila-Romblon-Caticlan-Lipata route and vice versa; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Lipata for the planning, development, financing, and operation of said Port with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Lipata. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Lipata situated in Barangay Lipata, Municipality of Culasi, Province of Antique, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 0 deg. 18' 34" W., 4,803.30 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cad. 331-D, Culasi, Antique, thence:

N.	58 deg.	10'	W.,	152.56 m.	to point 2;
N.	31 deg.	20'	E.,	170.12 m.	to point 3;
	DUE EAST			450.00 m.	to point 4;
	DUE SOUTH			289.64 m.	to point 5;
S.	81 deg.	28'	W.,	194.35 m.	to point 6;
N.	89 deg.	11'	W.,	34.67 m.	to point 7;
N.	67 deg.	56'	W.,	38.88 m.	to point 8;
S.	18 deg.	54'	W.,	70.37 m.	to point 9;
N.	70 deg.	25'	W.,	42.62 m.	to point 10;
N.	68 deg.	28'	W.,	13.85 m.	to point 11;

S.	26 deg.	26'	W.,	17.14 m.	to point 12;
S.	23 deg.	20'	W.,	12.78 m.	to point 13;
S.	29 deg.	47'	W.,	14.47 m.	to point 14;
S.	72 deg.	33'	W.,	10.39 m.	to point 15;
N.	20 deg.	44'	W.,	23.35 m.	to point 16;
N.	64 deg.	09'	W.,	5.82 m.	to point 17;
N.	23 deg.	19'	E.,	15.60 m.	to point 18;
N.	04 deg.	13'	E.,	25.13 m.	to point 19;
N.	62 deg.	40'	W.,	12.40 m.	to point 20;
N.	62 deg.	40'	W.,	12.34 m.	to point 21;
N.	23 deg.	52'	E.,	72.55 m.	to point 22;
N.	58 deg.	10'	W.,	49.61 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVEN (147,407) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Lipata Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 160: Declaring and delineating the Lipata Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 161
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE CALUYA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article IV of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, or the “Revised Charter of the PPA,” provides that the PPA may submit to the President, through the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts (Port Zones);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 410 (s. 1990), which provides for new guidelines for the processing of applications for port zone delineation, states that applications which are jointly recommended for approval by the Philippine Ports Authority and Regional Development Council shall be submitted directly to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the Port of Caluya caters to the vessel traffic in the Island of Caluya with linkages at Libertad-Caluya-Semirara-Mindoro and vice versa; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Caluya for the planning, development, financing, and operation of said Port with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Caluya. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Caluya situated in Sitio Tongo, Barangay Imba, Municipality of Caluya, Province of Antique, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being N. 22 deg. 10’ E., 2,946.96 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-428-D, Caluya, Antique, thence:

N.	42 deg.	44’	W.,	121.81 m.	to point 2;
N.	42 deg.	57’	W.,	105.28 m.	to point 3;
N.	11 deg.	43’	W.,	354.41 m.	to point 4;
N.	37 deg.	38’	E.,	689.36 m.	to point 5;
S.	52 deg.	22’	E.,	1,000.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	37 deg.	38’	W.,	1,003.31 m.	to point 7;
N.	47 deg.	43’	W.,	140.70 m.	to point 8;
N.	47 deg.	43’	W.,	356.47 m.	to point 9;
N.	28 deg.	00’	W.,	12.30 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **NINE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR (924,974) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Caluya Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this **14th** day of **February**, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 161: Declaring and delineating the Caluya Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 162

DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE SAN JOSE PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article IV of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, or the “Revised Charter of the PPA,” provides that the PPA may submit to the President, through the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts (Port Zones);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 410 (s. 1990), which provides for new guidelines for the processing of applications for port zone delineation, states that applications which are jointly recommended for approval by the Philippine Ports Authority and Regional Development Council shall be submitted directly to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the Port of San Jose is strategically located in the Municipality of San Jose, the growth center of seven (7) municipalities in the Province of Dinagat Islands;

WHEREAS, the said Port, being the principal maritime gateway to the Province of Dinagat Islands, has a significant impact in the development of economic activities and improvement in the delivery of basic services; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of San Jose for the planning, development, financing, and operation of said Port with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of San Jose. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of San Jose situated in Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of San Jose, Province of Dinagat Islands, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 48 deg. 38' W., 3,003.03 m. from SRN 30 NAMRIA, San Jose, Dinagat Islands, thence:

N.	68 deg.	18'	E.,	12.29 m.	to point 2;
S.	83 deg.	19'	E.,	19.77 m.	to point 3;
S.	60 deg.	34'	E.,	14.94 m.	to point 4;
N.	26 deg.	56'	E.,	3.32 m.	to point 5;
S.	84 deg.	28'	E.,	42.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	74 deg.	27'	E.,	18.33 m.	to point 7;
S.	77 deg.	50'	E.,	30.52 m.	to point 8;
S.	63 deg.	37'	E.,	46.80 m.	to point 9;
S.	58 deg.	54'	E.,	44.36 m.	to point 10;

S.	01 deg.	48'	E.,	256.19 m.	to point 11;
S.	86 deg.	53'	W.,	440.00 m.	to point 12;
N.	27 deg.	07'	W.,	240.00 m.	to point 13;
N.	68 deg.	37'	E.,	350.00 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE (144,239) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The San Jose Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 162: Declaring and delineating the San Jose Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 163
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE TANDAG PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article IV of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, or the “Revised Charter of the PPA,” provides that the PPA may submit to the President, through the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts (Port Zones);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 410 (s. 1990), which provides for new guidelines for the processing of applications for port zone delineation, states that applications which are jointly recommended for approval by the Philippine Ports Authority and Regional Development Council shall be submitted directly to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, there is a proposed expansion of port facilities and construction of building structures in the Port of Tandag to provide convenient seaport facilities that will encourage and increase investments and trading in this area; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Tandag for the planning, development, financing, and operation of said Port with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Tandag. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Tandag situated in Tandag City, Province of Surigao del Sur, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 16 deg. 46’ E., 4,711.10 m. from BLLM No. 1, CAD 392-D, Tandag City, Surigao del Sur, thence:

		DUE WEST		260.00 m.	to point 2;
N.	40 deg.	32’	W.,	22.51 m.	to point 3;
N.	06 deg.	42’	W.,	47.86 m.	to point 4;
N.	04 deg.	09’	E.,	146.87 m.	to point 5;
N.	53 deg.	56’	E.,	340.28 m.	to point 6;
S.	75 deg.	00’	E.,	100.00 tn.	to point 7;
S.	15 deg.	00’	W.,	250.00 m.	to point 8;
S.	21 deg.	07’	E.,	11.30 m.	to point 9;
S.	89 deg.	01’	W.,	1.75 m.	to point 10;
S.	01 deg.	18’	E.,	8.85 m.	to point 11;
S.	00 deg.	28’	E.,	14.75 m.	to point 12;
S.	88 deg.	00’	W.,	3.73 m.	to point 13;

S.	00 deg.	35'	E.,	27.00 m.	to point 14;
S.	00 deg.	35'	E.,	57.27 m.	to point 15;
S.	00 deg.	03'	E.,	16.98 m.	to point 16;
S.	00 deg.	27'	E.,	6.43 m.	to point 17;
S.	89 deg.	28'	W.,	28.06 m.	to point 18;
S.	00 deg.	33'	E.,	2.80 m.	to point 19;
N.	84 deg.	09'	W.,	9.22 m.	to point of beginning,

Containing an area of **ONE HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND SIXTY-THREE (108,063) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Tandag Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development, and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 163: Declaring and delineating the Tandag Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 164

**DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE LIANGA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)**

WHEREAS, Section 5, Article IV of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 857, or the “Revised Charter of the PPA,” provides that the PPA may submit to the President, through the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), applications for the declaration of specific areas as Port Districts (Port Zones);

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 410 (s. 1990), which provides for new guidelines for the processing of applications for port zone delineation, states that applications which are jointly recommended for approval by the Philippine Ports Authority and Regional Development Council shall be submitted directly to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, the Port of Lianga caters to domestic RoRo vessels; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port zone of Lianga for the planning, development, financing, and operation of said Port with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Lianga. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Lianga situated in Sitio Baugo, Barangay Baucaue, Municipality of Lianga, Province of Surigao del Sur, is hereby delineated and established, particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 14 deg. 48' W., 2,931.06 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-44, Lianga Public Land Subdivision, Surigao del Sur, thence:

S.	38 deg.	01'	W.,	84.02 m.	to point 2;
N.	54 deg.	36'	W.,	42.46 m.	to point 3;
N.	10 deg.	47'	E.,	59.08 m.	to point 4;
N.	62 deg.	30'	W.,	25.61 m.	to point 5;
N.	38 deg.	02'	E.,	25.40 m.	to point 6;
N.	59 deg.	38'	W.,	399.98 m.	to point 7;
N.	30 deg.	57'	E.,	532.26 m.	to point 8;
S.	59 deg.	38'	E.,	799.96 m.	to point 9;
S.	38 deg.	01'	W.,	384.00 m.	to point 10;
			DUE WEST	299.99 m.	To point of beginning;

Containing an area of **THREE HUNDRED NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR (395,624) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Lianga Port zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 14th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 164: Declaring and delineating the Lianga Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 165
TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY, NATIONAL IRRIGATION
ADMINISTRATION, PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY, AND FERTILIZER
AND PESTICIDE AUTHORITY TO THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WHEREAS, the National Food Authority (NFA) was created by virtue of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 4 (s. 1972), as amended, in order to strengthen the national strategy for the integrated growth and development of the food industry to insure adequate and continuous supply at reasonable prices;

WHEREAS, the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) was created by virtue of Republic Act No. 3601 (1963), as amended, to expand irrigated farmlands in order to better program the production of agricultural crops, increase the productivity of our farmers and ensure a stable supply of farm commodities;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) was created by virtue of PD No. 232 (s. 1973), as amended, in order to promote the accelerated development of the coconut and other palm oils industry;

WHEREAS, the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA) was created by virtue of PD No. 1144 (s. 1977) for the purpose of assuring the agricultural sector of adequate supplies of fertilizer and pesticide at reasonable prices, rationalizing the manufacture and marketing of fertilizer, protecting the public from the risks inherent in the use of pesticides, and educating the agricultural sector in the use of these inputs;

WHEREAS, there is a need to enhance and coordinate the efforts of the NFA, NIA, PCA and FPA, all attached agencies to the DA, in fulfilling their respective mandates; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Paragraph 3, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of Executive Order (EO) No. 292 (s. 1987) or the Administrative Code of 1987, the President of the Philippines has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President (OP), including transferring any agency to the OP from other departments and agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby transfer the following agencies from the Department of Agriculture to the Office of the President:

- a) National Food Authority;
- b) National Irrigation Administration;
- c) Philippine Coconut Authority; and
- d) Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority.

All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 165: Transferring the National Food Authority, National Irrigation Administration, Philippine Coconut Authority, and Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority to the Office of the President*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 166
DESIGNATING THE PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT FOR FOOD SECURITY AND
AGRICULTURAL MODERNIZATION AS CHAIRMAN OF CERTAIN GOVERNING BODIES

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 165 (s. 2014) transferred the National Food Authority, National Irrigation Administration, Philippine Coconut Authority, and Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority from the Department of Agriculture to the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of EO No. 292 (s. 1987) or the “Administrative Code of 1987,” the President of the Philippines has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 79 of Republic Act No. 10633, or the “General Appropriations Act of 2014,” unless otherwise provided by law or directed by the President of the Philippines, no organizational units or changes in key positions in any department, bureau, and office of the National Government, including SUCs shall be authorized in their respective organizational structures and staffing patterns and funded from appropriations provided under this Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Chairmanship. The Presidential Assistant for Food Security and Agricultural Modernization shall henceforth be the Chairman, in an ex officio capacity, of the Governing Bodies of the following;

- a) National Food Authority;
- b) National Irrigation Administration;
- c) Philippine Coconut Authority, and
- d) Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority.

SECTION 2. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 20th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 166: Designating the Presidential Assistant for Food Security and Agricultural Modernization as chairman of certain governing bodies*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 167
INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION
BENEFITS FOR EMPLOYEES IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS

WHEREAS, there is a need to continually improve benefits under the Employees' Compensation Program (ECP) to make them more responsive to the welfare and development needs of occupationally disabled workers;

WHEREAS, the current Employees' Compensation (EC) Funeral Benefit for both private and public sectors is no longer sufficient to cover funeral costs;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 177(e) of Presidential Decree No. 626, as amended, the Employees' Compensation Commission (ECC) shall have the power and duties, among others, to upgrade benefits and grant new ones for permanent disability or death, subject to the approval of the President, provided that the actuarial stability of the State Insurance Funds (SIF) shall be guaranteed and that such increases in benefits shall not require any increase in contributions from the employers, both private and public;

WHEREAS, the results of the actuarial studies of the Social Security System (SSS) and the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) show that the SIFs administered by them respectively can finance the increase in benefits herein set forth without affecting the stability of the SIFs and without requiring additional contributions; and

WHEREAS, on 2 July 2013 and 29 November 2013, the ECC adopted Resolution Nos. 13-07-14, 13-07-15 and 13-11-37 approving the increase in benefits herein set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. EC Funeral Benefits for the Private and Public Sectors. The amount of EC Funeral Benefits in both the private and public sectors shall be increased from Ten Thousand Pesos (Php 10,000.00) to Twenty Thousand Pesos (Php 20,000.00), effective immediately; Provided, that the stability of the SIFs is not affected and there is no corresponding increase in the EC contribution from the employers, both private and public.

SECTION 2. EC Disability and Death Benefits for the Private Sector. There shall be a ten (10%) across-the-board increase in EC Pension for all EC permanent partial disability, permanent total disability and survivorship pension in the private sector, effective immediately; provided, that the stability of the relevant SIF is not affected and there is no corresponding increase in the EC contributions from the employers.

SECTION 3. Appropriation and Release from the SIFs. The ECC, SSS and GSIS are hereby directed to appropriate and release the amounts necessary to cover the increase in benefits set forth in Sections 1 and 2 above from the reserves of the relevant SIF that the SSS and GSIS administer, respectively, under the ECP.

SECTION 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The ECC shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order, including the retroactive application of the

increase in benefits for the private sector to September 2013 as adopted in Resolution Nos. 13-07-14 and 13-07-15.

SECTION 5. Amendment or Modification. All Presidential issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in the Official Gazette and in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 26th day of May in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 167: Increasing the amount of certain Employment Compensation Benefits for employees in the private and public sectors*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 168
CREATING THE INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE MANAGEMENT
OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES IN THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 15 of the Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 2, Chapter 1, Title IX, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the primary function of the Department of Health (DOH) is the promotion, protection, preservation or restoration of the health of the people through the provision and delivery of health services and through the regulation and encouragement of providers of health goods and services;

WHEREAS, the emergence of the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), Avian Influenza, Ebola, and the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus (MERS-CoV) infections have been acknowledged by the global community to cause potential public health emergencies of international concern;

WHEREAS, there are recurrent threats of other diseases, such as Meningococemia, Leptospirosis, Antimicrobial Resistance of Tuberculosis, and other bacterial, viral and parasitic diseases that contribute to the high incidence of infectious diseases in the country;

WHEREAS, the international proliferation of these diseases persist due to increased globalization and mobility of travelers and products, and thus, threatens the lives and safety of Filipinos both here and abroad, as well as the Philippine economy in general; and

WHEREAS, in the event that any or a combination of these diseases result in multi-country outbreaks that can lead to epidemics and even a worldwide pandemic, there is a need for an inter-sectoral collaboration to establish preparedness and ensure efficient government response to assess, monitor, contain, control, and prevent the spread of any potential epidemic in the Philippines.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Creation and Composition. The Task Force on Emerging Infectious Diseases (EID), hereinafter referred to as the “Task Force,” is hereby created, to be composed of representatives from the following:

Chairperson:	Department of Health (DOH)
Members:	Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA)
	Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)
	Department of Justice (DOJ)
	Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE)
	Department of Tourism (DOT)
	Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC)

The Task Force may call upon any department, bureau, office, agency or instrumentality of the government, including Government-Owned or –Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), government financial institutions (GFIs), local government units (LGUs), non-government organizations (NGOs) and the private sector for assistance as the circumstances and exigencies may require.

Further, the DOH Secretary may recommend to the President the enlistment of the Armed Forces of the Philippines to supplement the Philippine National Police and other law enforcement agencies for the purpose of enforcing the quarantine of specific areas or facilitating the transport of EID patients, and for such other purposes for the effective implementation of this Order.

The duly authorized representatives of the member-agencies of the Task Force shall have a rank not lower than Assistant Secretary.

SECTION 2. Functions. The Task Force shall have the following functions:

- a) Establish a system to identify, screen, and assist Filipinos suspected or confirmed to be infected with EID;
- b) Prevent and/or minimize the entry of suspected or confirmed patients with EID into the country. This should include rigid screening and identification of EID suspects, and the institutionalization of a surveillance, alert, and quarantine system in all ports of entry;
- c) Prevent and/or minimize the local spread of EID in the country through the establishment or reinforcement of a system in screening possible patients infected with EID, contact tracing, identification of the mode of exposure to the virus, and implementation of effective quarantine and proper isolation procedures;
- d) Prevent and/or minimize mortality through effective clinical management by capacitating healthcare facilities, government and private medical practitioners, healthcare workers, and public safety enforcers;
- e) Educate the public on EID and its prevention, control and management to promote positive health behaviors, and address public fear and anxiety through the conduct of a nationwide EID awareness campaign;
- f) Adopt measures to strengthen the Emerging and Re-Emerging Infectious Diseases Program of the DOH or its equivalent in other local health units;
- g) Notify the WHO of the EID cases in the country and its assessment of the EID situation;
- h) Submit to the Office of the President regular status reports in the monitoring of EID;
- i) Formulate, develop, implement, and oversee the EID Preparedness Manual for the prevention and control of EID; and
- j) Perform such other functions and activities as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Order, or as the President may direct.

SECTION 3. Development of EID Preparedness Manual. A comprehensive and sustainable EID Preparedness Manual shall be formulated and developed in order to address government response and protocol in managing EID cases. The manual shall include, but not be limited to the following:

- a) Quarantine and immediate containment of EID within ports of entry;
- b) Epidemiological investigation and contact tracing;
- c) Treatment of infected cases and containment of affected areas;
- d) Formulation of a risk communication plan and EID materials for the general public; and
- e) Respective responsibilities of government agencies/instrumentalities.

SECTION 4. Funding. The member-agencies of the Task Force are authorized to charge against their current appropriations such amounts as may be necessary for the implementation of this Order. Subsequent funding requirements shall be incorporated in the annual budget proposals of the respective member-agencies through the General Appropriations Act. Additional funds and possible fund sources as may be necessary for the implementation of this Order shall be identified and provided for by the Department of Budget and Management.

SECTION 5. Separability Clause. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 26th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 168: Creating the Inter-Agency Task Force for the management of emerging infectious diseases in the Philippines*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 169

ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY MEASURES TO CONTROL AND MANAGE THE SPREAD
AND DAMAGE OF *ASPIDIOTUS RIGIDUS* IN THE PHILIPPINES AND DESIGNATING THE
PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY AS THE LEAD AGENCY FOR THE PURPOSE

WHEREAS, the Philippines is the top supplier of coconut products in the world market contributing an estimated \$2 billion net foreign earnings, providing livelihood to some 3.5 million coconut farmers, and serving as economic backbone in sixty-eight (68) of the eighty (80) provinces of the country;

WHEREAS, an invasive and introduced species of scale insect, *Aspidiotus rigidus*, an insect pest attacking plant leaves, feeding on sap directly drawn from the plant's vascular system, with a distinct characteristic of secreting a waxy coating for defense which resembles fish scales, has been tremendously infesting bearing and non-bearing coconut trees and has devastated a significant number of coconut farms in the CALABARZON Region;

WHEREAS, there are verified reports of scale insect infestation in other island provinces, even in the Mindanao areas, and the pest has been attacking other high-value crops (like coffee, cacao, and mangosteen) that are cultivated under coconuts or near coconut plantations;

WHEREAS, this massive infestation of scale insect poses a very serious threat to the coconut industry and to the livelihood of those who depend thereon;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) is the government agency mandated to oversee the development of the coconut industry in all its aspects and ensure that such development redound to the interests of the coconut farmers;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Units are mandated by the Local Government Code of 1991 to share the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, if the spread of this invasive pest is not contained, it may wipe out the coconut industry not just in CALABARZON but, eventually, in the rest of the country; and

WHEREAS, to ensure the preservation and development of this vital industry, there is a need to put in place immediate and comprehensive measures to effectively control, manage and eventually eradicate the scale insect infestation and to designate the PCA as the lead agency for the purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Status of the Coconut Industry. The Philippine coconut industry is being afflicted by widespread scale insect infestation, which requires the immediate establishment and comprehensive implementation of appropriate measures and interventions.

SECTION 2. Lead Agency. The Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) shall be the lead agency in the nationwide effort to control and contain the scale insect infestation in the country.

SECTION 3. Emergency Measures. The PCA, in cooperation with the Office of the Presidential Assistant for Food Security and Agricultural Modernization (OPAFSAM), Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), University of the Philippines in Los Baños (UPLB) and National Crop Protection Center (NCPC), with the support of the appropriate Local Government Units (LGUs), shall formulate and prescribe the necessary and appropriate emergency measures and methodologies in the treatment of infested coconut trees and other host plants, which may include mechanical, chemical, and biological measures, as well as the declaration of infested areas to be under quarantine and the establishment of checkpoints and quarantine stations to prevent the transportation of unprocessed/untreated parts of coconuts, coconut seedlings and other host/vector plants from such areas.

The Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) may deputize PCA and the Philippine National Police (PNP) and other law enforcement offices to investigate and apprehend those caught violating the emergency and quarantine measures, including the confiscation of unprocessed/untreated parts of coconut, coco seedlings and seednuts, and other host/vector plants.

The PCA shall exercise such other powers as may be necessary and proper for the effective enforcement of this Order in accordance with Presidential Decree No. 1468.

SECTION 4. Prohibitions. No coconut leaves/fronds, young coconut and other raw or unprocessed/untreated coconut products, coco seedlings, and seedlings of other scale insect host plants shall be transported outside of barangays, municipalities or provinces duly declared under quarantine due to scale insect infestation, except when supported by a Permit to Transport duly issued by the PCA providing, among others, that appropriate preventive measures, such as washing and spraying of appropriate chemicals, have been instituted.

SECTION 5. Authority to Transport. The PCA shall have the exclusive authority to grant Permits to Transport for the shipment or movement of coconut planting materials from and to any points of the country.

SECTION 6. Responsibility of LGUs. The LGUs shall assist in the local implementation of emergency control and eradication measures by contributing appropriate logistical and manpower resources including the recruitment of volunteers for frontline barangay level scale insect control action team and helping in massive information dissemination campaign in their locality.

SECTION 7. Administrative Penalties. Those found violating the quarantine declaration shall be punished by:

- a. First offense – confiscation of the illegally transported materials;
- b. Second offense – confiscation of the illegally transported materials, and payment by the violator of a fine of One Thousand Pesos (₱1,000.00); and
- c. Third and subsequent offenses – confiscation of the illegally transported materials, and payment by the violator of a fine of Five Thousand Pesos (₱5,000).

The responsible PCA personnel found to have permitted, allowed or otherwise tolerated any violations of the provision of the emergency measures or its implementing rules or have connived or conspired with violators shall be proceeded with administratively.

SECTION 8. Support Funds for Operation. The PCA shall allocate funds to support the nationwide implementation of the emergency measures to control and manage the infestation of *Aspidiotus rigidus*.

SECTION 9. Implementing Guidelines. The PCA shall adopt and promulgate such implementing rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement this Order.

SECTION 10. Duration. This Order shall take effect until such time that the infestation of *Aspidiotus rigidus* has been controlled and managed.

SECTION 11. Separability. If any part or provision of this Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other parts or provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and effective.

SECTION 12. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 13. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 169: Establishing emergency measures to control and manage the spread and damage of Aspidiotus Rigidus in the Philippines and designating the Philippine Coconut Authority as the lead agency for the purpose*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 170

**AMENDING AND SEGREGATING PORTIONS OF THE BATANGAS PORT ZONE
UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY
FOR ENERGY PROJECTS DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) Nos. 385 (s. 1989) and 431 (s. 1990) delineated and expanded the territory of the Batangas Port Zone (BPZ);

WHEREAS, the BPZ was placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA), which was given the authority to implement a program for the proper zoning, titling, planning, development, and utilization of the port areas in the BPZ, consistent with law, and the regional industrial plans of the Government;

WHEREAS, the territorial jurisdiction of the BPZ as delineated under EO Nos. 385 and 431 included certain areas in Batangas City that are now proposed to be used as sites for power generation and auxiliary facilities, including fuel handling, storage and processing facilities;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to ensure the quality, reliability, security and affordability of the supply of electric power in the country; and

WHEREAS, facilities in the BPZ have been made part of the Department of Energy (DOE) committed power projects program and natural gas infrastructure development plans to meet the urgent and long-term energy needs of the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Amendment to Territorial Jurisdiction of the Batangas Port Zone (BPZ). The territorial jurisdiction of the Batangas Port Zone is hereby delineated as follows:

A parcel of land described under SK-04-000016-12. Bounded on the SE., & NE., along lines 1-2-3 by Cad-264, Batangas Cadastre; on the SE., SW., NW., & NE., along lines 3-4-5-6-7 by Batangas Bay; on the NW., NE., & SE., along lines 7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-1 by Cad-264, Batangas Cadastre.

Beginning at a point marked "1" on the plan being S. 81 deg. 29'55" W., 1,587.654 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cad-264, Batangas Cadastre, thence:

S.	59 deg.	42'	44.4"	W.,	150.00 m.	to point 2;
S.	30 deg.	17'	15.6"	E.,	511.00 m.	to point 3;
S.	59 deg.	42'	32.7"	W.,	1,150.00 m.	to point 4;
N.	30 deg.	17'	03.0"	W.,	2,750.00 m.	to point 5;
N.	59 deg.	42'	04.7"	E.,	610.00 m.	to point 6;
S.	60 deg.	17'	53.7"	E.,	780.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	46 deg.	16'	19.8"	E.,	263.55 m.	to point 8;

S.	89 deg.	32'	20.3"	E.,	99.06 m.	to point 9;
N.	45 deg.	33'	24.2"	E.,	594.30 m.	to point 10;
S.	60 deg.	33'	23.8"	E.,	193.69 m.	to point 11;
N.	29 deg.	51'	31.3"	E.,	113.47 m.	to point 12;
S.	60 deg.	17'	15.6"	E.,	759.38 m.	to point 13
S.	30 deg.	17'	15.6"	E.,	550.00 m.	to point 14;
S.	59 deg.	42'	44.4"	W.,	1,200.00 m.	to point 15;
S.	30 deg.	17'	15.6"	E.,	404.00 m.	to point of

beginning, containing an area of **FOUR MILLION FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO (4,522,422) SQUARE METERS**. All points referred to are indicated on the plan and are marked on the ground by Ps. Cyl. Conc. Mons. 15 x 60 cm.

SECTION 2. Energy Projects Zone. Portions of the BPZ under EO Nos. 385 and 431 which are excluded under Section 1 of this Order is hereby segregated and reserved for energy projects as identified by the Department of Energy and are excluded from the administrative jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority, consistent with existing laws and regional industrial plans for the development and utilization of the said areas as Energy Projects Zone.

SECTION 3. Separability. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 4. Repeal. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 25th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 170: Amending Executive Order Nos. 385 (s. 1989) and 431 (s. 1990) and segregating portions of the Batangas Port Zone under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority for energy projects designated by the Department of Energy*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 171
CREATING AN INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE THE REVIEW,
IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING OF THE UNITED NATIONS
CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION (UNCAC)

WHEREAS, the Philippines signed on 9 December 2003, and subsequently ratified on 6 November 2006, the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC), which obliges the States Parties to implement a wide range of anti-corruption measures through laws, institutions and practices;

WHEREAS, the implementation of anti-corruption measures is imperative towards achieving national development;

WHEREAS, the UNCAC mandates the States Parties to maintain honesty and integrity both in the public and private sectors by undertaking positive and effective measures against graft and corruption;

WHEREAS, as a State Party to the UNCAC, the Philippines is obliged to implement its provisions and monitor compliance therewith;

WHEREAS, the implementation of UNCAC necessitates international cooperation as well as at the domestic level among the different branches of the government, collaboration with the private sector, and engagement of broader segments of civil society, including territorial and political subdivisions of the country;

WHEREAS, to ensure the successful implementation of the UNCAC and to demonstrate the Philippines' strong commitment to the observance of international normative standards, it is necessary to establish an appropriate multi-stakeholder mechanism or body to carry out the effective implementation, monitoring and review of all the initiatives to achieve the noble goals of the UNCAC;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Presidential UNCAC Inter-agency Committee. A Presidential UNCAC Inter-agency Committee, hereinafter referred to as the Committee, is hereby created to oversee the implementation, coordination, monitoring and review of Philippine compliance with the UNCAC.

SECTION 2. Composition. The Executive Secretary shall serve as the Chairperson of the Committee with the following members:

- a. The Secretary of Justice as Vice-Chairperson
- b. The Secretary of Foreign Affairs as Co-Vice-Chairperson
- c. The Secretary of Budget and Management
- d. The Secretary of Socioeconomic Planning; and
- e. The Secretary of Interior and Local Government

The foregoing members of the Committee shall designate alternate representatives, holding a position not lower than a Director level, to ensure dedicated and continuing support to the functions and responsibilities of the Committee.

To mobilize support and multi-sector stakeholder participation, the Committee shall include representatives from relevant civil society organizations (CSOs), non-government organizations (NGOs), business sector, academe and other private entities engaged in anti-corruption advocacies and initiatives, as may be determined by the Committee.

In addition, the Committee shall invite representatives from independent offices such as the Office of the Ombudsman, Commission on Audit, Civil Service Commission, Anti-Money Laundering Council, House of Representatives, the Senate and the Judiciary to effect the synchronization and complementation of anti-corruption programs.

The Committee shall meet every quarter and/or whenever the Chairperson deems it necessary to convene the same.

SECTION 3. Functions. The Committee shall have the following functions:

- a. Assess, evaluate and review all the provisions of the UNCAC and determine its applicability and its compatibility with the existing legal framework and laws;
- b. Formulate and develop plans, policies and response strategies related to the implementation, monitoring and review compliance of the State's treaty obligations under the UNCAC;
- c. Undertake and coordinate the implementation of integrity development and anti-corruption measures with appropriate branches of government that will ensure its adoption and implementation;
- d. Assess and monitor good governance and anti-corruption initiatives in the country, collating all necessary data and information on corruption-related offenses for the comprehensive review of the implementation of the UNCAC;
- e. Set up and implement a communication plan to ensure transparency and accountability in the assessment of the good governance and anti-corruption initiatives in the country and conduct of awareness-raising and advocacy, particularly those contributing to the non-tolerance of corruption;
- f. Ensure compliance by the government to all its obligations under the UNCAC, including the timely submission of treaty implementation reports, replies and comments on cases filed with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime;
- g. Direct and ensure the creation of internal working groups (IWGs) from among the concerned government entities as well as the designation of focal points, and institution of an effective system for multi-sector arrangements in the implementation, coordination and monitoring of all related endeavors under the UNCAC;
- h. Create technical working groups (TWGs) to conduct relevant studies and researches on relevant legal instruments, administrative measures and effective practices aimed at preventing corruption with a view to determining their adequacy to prevent and reduce corruption;
- i. Ensure adherence to the objectives of the UNCAC of all anti-corruption programs and good governance initiatives in the territorial and political subdivisions of the country; and
- j. Report to the President every semester and recommend policy advice and/or measures to ensure compliance with the UNCAC;
- k. Perform such other functions as may be directed by the President or as may be necessary, consistent with the basic functions of the Committee.

SECTION 4. Cooperation Areas with Office of the Ombudsman. In recognition of the role of the Office of the Ombudsman as one of the designated central authorities in the implementation of the UNCAC, the Committee shall seek all possible working arrangements with the Office of the Ombudsman (OMB) in the areas of:

- a. Compliance review with the requirements of the Conference of States Parties in the UNCAC review mechanism;
- b. Enforcement of anti-corruption laws and prosecution of corruption cases; and
- c. All other UNCAC-related matters and concerns.

SECTION 5. Secretariat. The Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs, this Office (OP-DESLA), is hereby designated as the Secretariat to the Committee to provide technical and administrative support and to serve as its liaison/coordinating arm with Congress, the Judiciary and other government agencies, including, the Presidential Legislative Liaison Office (PLLO) and the Legislative and Executive Development Advisory Council (LEDAC) for effective representation and facilitation of the fulfillment of the mandatory provisions of the UNCAC. The Secretariat shall be headed by an Executive Director.

SECTION 6. Support and cooperation. All branches of the government, departments, bureaus, agencies, offices, and local government units, including government-owned and controlled corporations as well as government financial institutions, and State Universities and Colleges, are encouraged to render full support, assistance and cooperation to the Committee in carrying out its mandate and functions.

SECTION 7. Funding. Operational expenses shall be chargeable against the funds of the Office of the President subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Subsequent funding for the operations of the Committee shall be incorporated in the regular budget of this Office.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue with full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. All orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 171: Creating an Inter-Agency Committee to oversee the review, implementation and monitoring of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 172
DECLARING THE PORT OF BATANGAS AND SUBIC BAY FREEPORT AS
EXTENSIONS OF THE PORT OF MANILA (MICT/SOUTH HARBOR)
DURING PORT CONGESTION AND OTHER EMERGENCY CASES

WHEREAS, it is a declared objective of the State to ensure the smooth flow of waterborne commerce passing through the country's ports, whether public or private, in the conduct of international and domestic trade;

WHEREAS, port congestion is one of the major factors hindering the free flow of goods and services passing through the ports, with its domino effects immediately cascading and impacting on the demand-supply chain and eventually to the country's economic growth and performance;

WHEREAS, the Port of Manila is considered as the Philippines' most important port not only in terms of revenues it generates but also because of its being the premier international gateway to the country;

WHEREAS, the past six (6) months have witnessed how port congestion at the Port of Manila, specifically, the Manila International Container Terminal (MICT) and the South Harbor, have tremendously disrupted industries and businesses not only in Metro Manila but across the country, and how it has highlighted the important and crucial role that the government has to play in mitigating its impact and finding immediate solutions;

WHEREAS, the drastic restriction in the movement of trucks transporting cargoes in and out of the Port of Manila because of the shortened operating window of trucks due to truck ban imposed by certain Local Government Units resulted in the abnormal movement, accumulation and piling up of cargoes and eventually severe port congestion;

WHEREAS, there is a need to adopt measures to immediately and effectively address the existing port congestion in the Port of Manila in order to avert further damaging effects to the country's economy, and also to put in place a mechanism that will immediately address future similar situations; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Batangas and the Subic Bay Freeport are not only ports of closest proximity to the Port of Manila but have the required capacity to handle export and import cargoes in terms of equipment, manpower and berth.

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. EXTENSION OF THE PORT OF MANILA. It is hereby declared that whenever there is congestion in the Port of Manila, or in case of emergency situations affecting public interest such as, but not limited to, strikes or lock-outs and natural calamities, resulting to serious disruptions in port operations, designated ports in the Port of Batangas and the Subic Bay Freeport shall be considered as extensions of the Port of Manila.

The designation of the specific port shall be made by the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) in the case of the Port of Batangas and the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) in the case of the Subic Bay Freeport.

Section 2. DECLARATION OF PORT CONGESTION. The Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) shall declare the existence of port congestion or emergency cases upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors of the PPA. The conditions for such declaration shall be based on the guidelines to be prescribed and approved by the PPA Board of Directors.

Section 3. EFFECTS OF DECLARATION OF PORT CONGESTION OR EMERGENCY CASES. The declaration by the DOTC Secretary of the existence of port congestion or emergency cases affecting public interest shall have the following effects:

- a. The designated ports in the Port of Batangas and the Subic Bay Freeport shall be deemed as extensions of the Port of Manila.
- b. Foreign vessels with Port of Manila as the port of destination or origin may be directed to berth either at the Port of Batangas or Subic Bay Freeport. For said purpose, the berthing in said ports shall be considered as berthing at the Port of Manila.
- c. All rules and regulations being enforced at the Port of Batangas or Subic Bay Freeport as promulgated by the PPA and SBMA, respectively, including berthing and other port fees, among others, shall apply to foreign vessels directed to berth thereat.

Section 4. VALIDITY OF THE DECLARATION. The extension of the Port of Manila shall exist for the duration of the existence of port congestion or emergency cases and shall be lifted once the situation in the Port of Manila has already normalized, as determined by the DOTC Secretary.

Section 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If any part or provision of this Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other parts or provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and effective.

Section 6. REPEALING CLAUSE. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 7. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, this 13th day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 173

**REDUCTION AND CONDONATION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES AND INTEREST/
PENALTIES ASSESSED ON THE POWER GENERATION FACILITIES OF INDEPENDENT
POWER PRODUCERS UNDER BUILD-OPERATE-TRANSFER CONTRACTS WITH
GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND/OR -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS**

WHEREAS, under Section 234 of Republic Act No. 7160 (Local Government Code of 1991), Government-Owned and/or -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) engaged in the generation and transmission of electricity enjoy a number of exemptions/privileges with respect to real property taxes, including an assessment level of 10% on all its lands, buildings, machineries and other improvements (Sections 216 and 218), as well as an exemption for all machinery and equipment that are actually, directly and exclusively used in the generation and transmission of electric power and machinery and equipment used for pollution control and environmental protection;

WHEREAS, various Local Government Units (LGUs) have taken the position that Independent Power Producers (IPPs) operating within their territories which are not GOCCs are not entitled to the exemptions/privileges of GOCCs with respect to real property taxes on their property, machinery and equipment used in the generation and distribution of electric power, and have threatened enforcement action against the IPPs, including the levy and sale at public auction of the affected properties;

WHEREAS, the payment of said real property taxes by the affected IPPs, some of which obligation have been contractually assumed by the GOCCs and carries the full faith of the National Government, threatens the financial stability of the GOCCs, the government's fiscal consolidation efforts, and the stability of energy prices;

WHEREAS, the forcible collection of the subject real property taxes by the LGUs concerned will trigger massive direct liabilities on the part of National Power Corporation/Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management Corporation and other affected GOCCs, may increase the cost of electricity, and may trigger further cross-defaults and significant economic losses across all sectors;

WHEREAS, under Section 277 of Republic Act No. 7160, "the President of the Philippines may, when public interest so requires, condone or reduce the real property tax and interest for any year in any province or city or a municipality within the Metropolitan Manila area"; and

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 17 of the Philippine Constitution provides that the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus, and offices.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Reduction and Condonation. All liabilities for real property tax on property, machinery and equipment (including any special levies accruing to the Special Education Fund) actually and directly used by IPPs for the production of electricity under Build-Operate-Transfer contracts (whether denominated Power Purchase Agreements, Energy Conversion Agreements or other contractual agreements) with GOCCs, assessed by LGUs and other entities authorized to impose real

property tax, for all years up to 2014, are hereby reduced to an amount equivalent to the tax due if computed based on an assessment level of fifteen percent (15%) of the fair market value of said property, machinery and equipment depreciated at the rate of two percent (2%) per annum, less any amounts already paid by the IPPs. All fines, penalties and interests on such deficiency real property tax liabilities are also hereby condoned and the concerned IPPs are relieved from payment thereof.

SECTION 2. Compliance by All Government Entities. All concerned departments, agencies and instrumentalities of the government, including GOCCs and LGUs, are hereby ordered to strictly comply with this Executive Order.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity Clause. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 31st day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 173: Reduction and condonation of real property taxes and interest/penalties assessed on the power generation facilities of independent power producers under build-operate-transfer contracts with Government-Owned and/or -Controlled Corporations*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 174
INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PHILIPPINE GREENHOUSE GAS
INVENTORY MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING SYSTEM

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 16 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, Section 6 of Republic Act (RA) No. 8749, or the “Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999,” provides for the establishment of the Air Quality Monitoring and Information Network, specifically the reporting of pertinent qualitative and quantitative information concerning the extent of air pollution and the air pollution and quality performance rating of industries;

WHEREAS, RA 9729, or the “Climate Change Act of 2009,” as amended by RA 10174, declares that it is a policy of the State to strengthen, integrate, consolidate, and institutionalize government initiatives to achieve coordination in the implementation of plans and programs to address climate change in the context of sustainable development;

WHEREAS, the Climate Change Commission (CCC) is the lead agency in the formulation of mitigation and adaptation policies and strategies to address the effects of climate change; and

WHEREAS, the National Climate Change Action Plan identified the implementation of a national system for the archiving, reporting, monitoring, and evaluating greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions as an activity that can support better planning for climate change adaptation and mitigation actions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Philippine Greenhouse Gas Inventory Management and Reporting System (PGHGIMRS). The PGHGIMRS is hereby established to institutionalize the GHG inventory management and reporting system in relevant government agencies to enable the country to transition towards a climate-resilient pathway for sustainable development.

SECTION 2. Role of the CCC. The CCC shall be the overall lead in the implementation of this Order. It shall be responsible for the following:

- a) Provide direction and guidance in the accounting and reporting of GHG emissions from identified key source sectors in order to develop and maintain centralized, comprehensive, and integrated data on GHGs;
- b) Develop a system for the archiving, reporting, monitoring, and evaluating GHG inventories in all key sectors; and
- c) Provide and facilitate continuous capacity building initiatives in the conduct of GHG inventories to ensure application of updated methodologies.

SECTION 3. Lead Agencies. The following shall be the lead agencies for the GHG inventories:

- a) Department of Agriculture and the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) – lead agencies for the agriculture sector;
- b) Department of Energy – lead agency for the energy sector;
- c) Department of Environment and Natural Resources – lead agency for the waste, industrial processes and the land-use and forestry sectors; and
- d) Department of Transportation and Communications – lead agency for the transport sector.

The CCC may invite concerned Local Government Units, academe, private and public institutions to participate, complement, and assist in the implementation of the PGHGIMRS and this Order.

The PSA may assist other lead agencies in the conduct of the sectoral GHG inventories.

SECTION 4. Responsibilities of the Lead Agencies. The lead agencies shall be responsible for the following:

- a.) Conduct, document, archive and monitor sector-specific GHG inventories;
- b.) Report sector-specific GHG to the CCC based on the agreed reporting scheme; and
- c.) Perform such other functions as may be necessary for the effective implementation of this Order.

SECTION 5. Funding. The implementing agencies of the PGHGIMRS are hereby authorized to charge against their current appropriations such amounts as may be necessary for the implementation of this Order, subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Subsequent funding requirements shall be incorporated in the annual budget proposals of the respective implementing agencies through the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 6. Reports. The CCC shall submit to the Office of the President an annual report on the status of the implementation and disbursement of funds for this Order.

SECTION 7. Implementing Rules and Regulations. Within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Order, the CCC shall formulate a Guidance Document to serve as its implementing rules and regulations for the conduct, implementation, documentation, reporting and archiving of data in the PGHGIMRS.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. Repealing Clause. All issuances, orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 175
RENAMING, REORGANIZING AND EXPANDING THE MANDATE OF THE
PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION ON THE VISITING FORCES AGREEMENT
THEREBY AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 199 (S. 2000)

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 199 (s. 2000) created the Presidential Commission on the Visiting Forces Agreement (PCVFA) under the Office of the President to monitor compliance with the provisions of the Visiting Forces Agreement (VFA);

WHEREAS, Senate Resolution No. 100 (s. 2012) expressing concurrence to the ratification of the “Agreement between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of Australia Concerning the Status of Visiting Forces of Each State in the Territory of the Other State,” hereinafter referred to as the SOVFA, urged the President to expand the mandate of the PCVFA so as to include the monitoring and coordination of pertinent activities related to the implementation of the PH-Australia SOVFA;

WHEREAS, the Philippines has Defense Cooperation Agreements and Memoranda of Understanding with other States with whom there are no formal Status of Forces Agreements (SOFAs) but which allow foreign militaries to conduct activities particularly Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) operations as well as other related exercises;

WHEREAS, as affirmed by the PH-US Mutual Defense Treaty of 30 August 1951, VFA of 10 February 1998 and the Manila Declaration of 16 November 2011, there is a need to promote common security interests with partner States and to stress the principle of collective defense;

WHEREAS, based on the aforementioned reasons, there is a need to expand the mandate of the PCVFA to include existing and future visiting and status of forces agreements and to rename the Presidential Commission on the Visiting Forces Agreement to reflect this broader mandate;

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution provides that the President shall ensure that the laws shall be faithfully executed;

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. MANDATE. The PCVFA is hereby renamed the Presidential Commission on Visiting Forces, hereinafter referred to as the “Commission,” which shall continue to be under the Office of the President. The Commission shall be the lead inter-agency mechanism to provide policy coordination and advice, guidance, and assessment to ensure that all SOFAs serve the national interest.

For purposes of this Order, SOFA shall refer to the VFA, the SOVFA, and future status of forces agreements which may be included in the Commission’s mandate by order or directive of the President.

SECTION 2. COMPOSITION. The Commission shall be composed of the following:

Executive Secretary	-	Chairman
Secretary of Foreign Affairs	-	Vice-Chairman
Secretary of National Defense	-	Vice-Chairman
Secretary of Justice	-	Member
Secretary of Social Welfare and Development	-	Member
Secretary of Interior and Local Government	-	Member
VFACOM Executive Director	-	Member
One (1) Representative from the Private Sector	-	Member
to be appointed by the President		

SECTION 3. POWERS & FUNCTIONS. The Commission shall have the following powers and functions:

- a) Ensure respect for Philippine laws, state policies, public morals, customs and traditions and strict compliance with the provisions of all SOFAs and the rules and regulations promulgated by the concerned Departments and Agencies;
 - b) Coordinate with the concerned departments and agencies for the issuance of the appropriate Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRRs) for all SOFAs the Philippines has entered into by providing clear guidelines on, but not limited to, the following:
 - b.1. the entry, temporary stay and departure of military and civilian personnel;
 - b.2. the entry, movement and departure of military vessels, aircraft and vehicles;
 - b.3. the protection of public health and safety;
 - b.4. the protection and preservation of the environment;
 - b.5. the disposition of military equipment, supplies, materials and other provisions brought into the country by military and civilian personnel; and
 - b.6. the prosecution of offenses that may be committed during activities under a SOFA;
 - c) Monitor and evaluate, in coordination with the appropriate government and non-government agencies, the activities of foreign military and civilian personnel for the duration of activities held under any SOFA and HADR;
 - d) Organize and oversee local coordinating committees that will assist the Commission in the performance of its functions;
 - e) Assess the environmental, social, health and safety impact of activities held under and in relation to a SOFA and come up with appropriate recommendations designed to mitigate the impact of such activities;
 - f) Coordinate the provision of appropriate assistance to claimants for damage, loss, personnel injury or death, caused by acts or omissions of foreign personnel or otherwise incidental to the non-combatant activities of foreign forces under a SOFA or pursuant to the conduct of HADR operations;
 - g) Enlist the assistance of any branch, department, bureau, office or agency of the Government in the performance of the Commission's functions;
 - h) Conduct continuing information and educational campaigns on the various SOFAs;
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- i) Submit to the President an annual report that contains an assessment of whether the SOFAs continue to serve, among others, the national security interest;
 - j) Coordinate with the Legislative Oversight Committee in determining whether the SOFAs continue to serve, among others, the national interest;
 - k) Recommend policies and/or legislation necessary for the proper enforcement of the provisions of the SOFAs;
 - l) Establish official representation in all implementing organizations for relevant defense and security engagements to which a SOFA applies, such as boards, committees, groups and the like;
 - m) Provide advice in negotiations and consultations that may lead to a SOFA; and
 - n) Perform such other powers and functions as the President may direct.

SECTION 4. CONTROL AND SUPERVISION. The Commission shall be under the control and supervision of the President.

SECTION 5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. The President shall appoint the Executive Director of the Commission who shall directly report to the Chairman of the Commission. The Executive Director shall have direct operational and supervisory authority over all personnel of the Commission and over all personnel from the concerned agencies who may from time to time be detailed to the Commission to provide technical and administrative support.

SECTION 6. FUNDING. The initial amount of Forty Million Pesos (₱40,000,000.00) shall be appropriated for the expanded operation of the Commission to be sourced from the Contingent Fund. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the continued operations of the Commission shall be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 7. PARTICIPATION BY THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS. In the performance of its duties and responsibilities, the Commission shall engage local private sector and non-government organizations based in the areas where activities in connection with SOFAs will be held.

SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, all other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. REPEAL. All orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Fourteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 175: Renaming, reorganizing and expanding the mandate of the Presidential Commission on the Visiting Forces Agreement thereby amending Executive Order No. 199 (s. 2000)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 176

INSTITUTIONALIZING THE INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (IMP) AS
THE NATIONAL CORRUPTION PREVENTION PROGRAM IN ALL GOVERNMENT
DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS, OFFICES, AGENCIES, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED
AND -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS,
STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS THROUGH
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEGRITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS (IMS)”

WHEREAS, Section 27, Article II, 1987 Constitution, provides that it is the policy of the State to maintain honesty and integrity in the public service and to undertake positive and effective measures against graft and corruption;

WHEREAS, Section 2, of Republic Act No. 6713, otherwise known as the “Code of Conduct and Ethical Standards for Public Officials and Employees,” declares that it is the policy of the State to promote a high standard of ethics in public service. Public officials and employees shall at all times be accountable to the people and shall discharge their duties with utmost responsibility, integrity, competence, and loyalty, act with patriotism and justice, lead modest lives, and uphold public interest over personal interest;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, as State Party to the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC), is obliged to comply with its treaty obligation to develop, implement and maintain effective, coordinated anti-corruption policies and measures that promote the participation of society and reflect the principles of the rule of law, proper management of public affairs and public property, integrity, transparency and accountability; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the President and the Office of the Ombudsman (OMB), signed a Memorandum of Agreement on 14 June 2013 recognizing the compelling need to consolidate and align the country’s anti-corruption thrusts, programs, and measures to generate strategic interventions in reducing corruption, promoting integrity, enhancing government effectiveness towards building a corruption intolerant society and agreeing to establish a harmonized and simplified integrity program which will be jointly implemented across the bureaucracy as the flagship anti-corruption program of the government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Integrity Management Program. An Integrity Management Program (IMP) is hereby established as the national corruption prevention program of the government, which covers six (6) dimensions or management systems that are linked together to enhance both individual and systems integrity, namely: *Service Delivery, Institutional Leadership, Human Resource Management and Development, Financial, Procurement and Asset Management; Internal Reporting and Investigation and, Corruption Risk Management.* The objectives of the IMP consist of reducing level of corruption

vulnerabilities at the department/agency level, ensuring integrity is practiced in public sector and improving public's trust and confidence in government.

SECTION 2. Program Management Committee (PMC). The PMC, created by agreement between OP and OMB in a Memorandum of Agreement dated 14 June 2013, shall be tasked to perform the following functions:

- a) Serve as the program overseer of the IMP and shall provide overall direction to the program;
- b) Undertake policy making to ensure effective implementation of the IMP;
- c) Provide secretariat support in the implementation of the IMP in the agency level as stipulated in the abovementioned OP-OMB MOA;
- d) Facilitate the provision of technical assistance and information exchange to Departments/Agencies;
- e) Ensure the provision of capacity-building interventions in relation to the effective implementation and roll-out of the IMP;
- f) Establish rewards and incentive scheme to promote compliance and good practices in IMP implementation that may be linked with existing performance management system and budget allocation and management;
- g) Engage relevant stakeholders and build constituency in support of the IMP;
- h) Ensure resources are allocated to the program, as well as from donations, grants, contributions, sponsorships and/or any form of assistance from government entities, private sector and development partners to carry out its mandate.
- i) Coordinate with the Good Governance and Anti-Corruption (GGAC) Cluster of the Cabinet, the Inter-Agency Anti-Graft and Corruption Council (IAAGCC), other coordinating bodies related to integrity and anti-corruption, i.e. UN Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) implementation and review mechanisms, and implementing agencies; and
- j) Perform such other functions as may be as may be necessary consistent with the basic functions of the Committee

SECTION 3. Composition. The PMC shall be composed of three (3) representatives from the Office of the Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs (OP-ODESLA) and three (3) representatives from the Ombudsman. The PMC shall be chaired and co-chaired by OP-ODESLA and OMB.

It shall adopt an organizational structure that has provision for institutional linkages with other government agencies relevant to the six (6) IMP dimensions.

To mobilize support and multi-stakeholder participation, the membership of the PMC shall include representatives from other government offices as well as leading civil society organizations (CSOs), non-government organizations (NGOs), business sector, academe and other private entities engaged in anti-corruption advocacies and initiatives, as may be determined by the Committee.

SECTION 4. Implementation phasing and sectoral/area prioritization by the PMC. In a progressing and priority setting approach, the PMC shall assess and identify which department/agency shall initially be covered by the IMP.

Departments, Bureaus, Offices, Agencies, including Government-Owned and -Controlled Corporations, Government Financial Institutions, and State Universities and Colleges, Local Government Units, hereinafter collectively referred to as Department/ Agency, as selected by the PMC,

shall implement the IMP through their Integrity Management Committees (IMCs), and establish an Integrity Management System (IMS) in their respective Department/Agency.

Nothing in this Executive Order shall be interpreted to prevent departments/agencies not selected from implementing an integrity enhancing measure or initiative, unless otherwise specifically directed by the PMC for purposes of coordinating and implementing concerted efforts for the attainment of the PMC's mandates.

SECTION 5. Creation of an IMC in each Department/Agency. An Integrity Management Committee (IMC) shall be created in each Department/agency tasked to:

1. Oversee and ensure the effective implementation of the IMP and all integrity management initiatives and measures within the Department/Agency;
2. Facilitate integrity management planning, particularly in seeking the commitment of people across the organization in identifying requirements, concerns and the respective measures to address said needs, identify responsible persons/units to undertake the measures, and determine resource requirements and timeline of implementation;
3. Regularly meet to identify and address facilitating/hindering factors in implementing the IMP and the establishment of the IMS;
4. Monitor and review accomplishment of the commitments stated in the Integrity Management Plan;
5. Regularly report to the Program Management Committee (PMC) on the status of integrity management initiatives and measures in the Department/Agency;
6. Establish feedback mechanism on the implementation of the IM Plan;
7. Act as custodian of information/database on IMP implementation; and,
8. Perform all other functions as may be necessary in the implementation IM initiatives and measures.

SECTION 6. Composition of the IMC. The IMC shall be composed of the following members:

1. A Chair, who shall be the Head of Department/Agency. He/she shall be primarily accountable for the implementation and sustainability of the IMP. He/she shall appoint the IMC members to marshal the implementation of integrity management initiatives in the department;
2. A Vice-Chairperson, who shall not be lower than an Assistant Secretary or a third ranking official;
3. Heads of key management offices involved in the integrity management process including but not limited to Human Resource, Finance, and Procurement;
4. Head of Internal Audit;
5. A representative of rank-and-file employees chosen in accordance with CSC rules and regulations; and
6. A representative of relevant CSO/s chosen by the department/agency, in accordance with the Guidelines on CSO Participation in the IMP.

SECTION 7. Operational Guidelines. The Office of the President, through the Office of the Executive Secretary, shall issue by Memorandum Circular the Operational Guidelines of the IMP upon recommendation of the PMC.

All departments, bureaus, agencies, offices, and local government units, including government-owned and -controlled corporations as well as government financial institutions, and State Universities and Colleges, are enjoined to render full support, assistance and cooperation to the Committee in carrying out its mandate and functions.

SECTION 8. Funding. Departments/Agencies are mandated to allocate sufficient funds/resources for the implementation of the IMP and the establishment of the IMS, as well as the implementation of their Department/Agency's Integrity Management Plans, which shall be charged against the current appropriations from their maintenance, operations and overhead expenditures (MOOE) budget. Thereafter, funding for the succeeding years shall be incorporated in their regular appropriations.

SECTION 9. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 10. Repealing Clause. All presidential issuances on Integrity Development Action Plan (IDAP) and Moral Renewal Action Plan (MRAP) and all other orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 11. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 1st day of December, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand Fourteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2014). *Executive Order No. 176: Institutionalizing the Integrity Management Program (IMP) as the National Corruption Prevention Program in all government departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, including government-owned and -controlled corporations, government financial institutions, state universities and colleges, and Local Government Units through the establishment of Integrity Management Systems (IMS)*". Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 177
DESIGNATING THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DIRECTOR-GENERAL AS AN EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL
FOOD AUTHORITY COUNCIL

WHEREAS, under Presidential Decree (PD) No. 4, as amended by PD No. 1770, the President of the formerly government-owned Philippine National Bank (PNB) is an *ex-officio* member of the National Food Authority (NFA) Council;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 80 (s. 1986) restructured the PNB and paved the way for its eventual privatization in August 2007;

WHEREAS, with the privatization of PNB, the *ex-officio* seat reserved for the PNB President under Section 6 of PD No. 1770 is considered withdrawn and deemed vacant;

WHEREAS, EO No. 165 (s. 2014) transferred the NFA from the Department of Agriculture to the Office of the President (OP);

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution grants the President the power to appoint all other officers of the Government whose appointments are not otherwise provided for by law;

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III of EO No. 292, or the “Administrative Code of 1987,” the President of the Philippines has the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the OP; and

WHEREAS, Section 5 of EO No. 230 (s.1987) provides that NEDA is primarily responsible for formulating continuing, coordinated and fully integrated social and economic policies, plans, and programs of different government agencies, both at the national and regional levels prior to their adoption, in order to ensure their consistency with established national priorities and coordination with other policies, plans, programs, and projects of the government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby designate the NEDA Director-General as an *ex-officio* member of the National Food Authority Council without any additional compensation.

All other rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 10th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 177: Designating the National Economic and Development Authority Director-General as an Ex-officio member of the National Food Authority Council*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 178

**ADJUSTING THE DIVIDEND RATE OF THE FOOD TERMINAL, INC. FOR ITS 2012
NET EARNINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7656**

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 7656 (s. 1993) requires that “[a]ll government-owned or -controlled corporations (GOCCs) shall declare and remit at least fifty percent (50%) of their annual net earnings as cash, stock or property dividends to the National Government;”

WHEREAS, RA 7656 also provides that, “[i]n the interest of national economy and general welfare, the percentage of annual net earnings that shall be declared by the GOCCs may be adjusted by the President of the Philippines upon recommendation by the Secretary of Finance;”

WHEREAS, in order for the Food Terminal, Inc. (FTI) to be fully compliant with its tax obligations, as well as its obligations under RA 7656 and Executive Order (EO) No. 323 (s. 2000), to retire all its long outstanding liabilities and to support FTI’s viability and mandate, the dividend rate on FTI’s 2012 net earnings under RA 7656 must be adjusted accordingly; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RA 7656, the Secretary of Finance has recommended the downward adjustment on the percentage of 2012 net earnings that shall be declared by FTI as dividend to the National Government, in the interest of national economy and general welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The percentage of net earnings to be declared and remitted by the FTI as dividends to the National Government, as required under Section 5 of RA 7656, is authorized to be adjusted downward from fifty percent (50%) to thirty-eight and 1/2 percent (38.5%), or an estimated total amount of PhP5.96 Billion for 2012.

SECTION 2. The adjusted dividend rate set forth in Section 1 above is only applicable to the 2012 net earnings of the FTI.

SECTION 3. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 178: Adjusting the dividend rate of the Food Terminal, Inc. for its 2012 net earnings pursuant to Section 5 of Republic Act No. 7656*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 179
PROVIDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES FOR THE INVENTORY
AND PRIVATIZATION OF COCO LEVY ASSETS

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 755 mandated the acquisition of a commercial bank for the benefit of coconut farmers (now the United Coconut Planters Bank, “UCPB”) through the use of the Coconut Consumers Stabilization Fund (CCSF) and the distribution, for free, of the shares of stocks in UCPB to coconut farmers;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9 of PD No. 1468, the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) was mandated to ascertain the amount of collections out of the CCSF and/or the Coconut Industry Development Fund (CIDF) which may be treated as surplus, and subsequently this ascertained surplus came to be known as the Coconut Industry Investment Fund (CIIF);

WHEREAS, UCPB was authorized under PD No. 1468 to utilize the CIIF in making investments in the form of shares of stocks in corporations organized for the purpose of engaging in the establishment and operation of industries and commercial activities and other allied business undertakings;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the foregoing mandate in respect of the CIIF and Letter of Instruction (LOI) No. 926 (s. 1979), UCPB acquired six (6) coconut oil mills corporations using the CIIF (collectively, the “CIIF Companies”);

WHEREAS, the CIIF Companies thereafter acquired or organized fourteen (14) holding companies (collectively, the “CIIF Holding Companies”);

WHEREAS, the CIIF Holding Companies later acquired shares of stock of San Miguel Corporation (SMC);

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court held, in *Philippine Coconut Producers Federation, Inc. (COCOFED), et al. v. Republic of the Philippines, et al.* (G.R. Nos. 177857-177858 and G.R. No. 178193), and *Republic of the Philippines v. Sandiganbayan, et. al.* (G.R. No. 118661), that:

- a. Coconut levy funds are in the nature of taxes;
- b. Coconut levy funds cannot be used to purchase shares of stocks to be given for free to private individuals, and thus the so-called Farmers’ UCPB Shares covered by 64.98% of the UCPB shares of stock are owned by the Republic of the Philippines; and
- c. The CIIF Companies, the CIIF Holding Companies, and the Converted SMC Series 1 Preferred Shares, totaling 753,848,312 shares, together with all dividends, are owned by the Government, to be used only for the benefit of the coconut farmers and for the development of the coconut industry;

WHEREAS, PD No. 1234 requires that all income and collections for special funds authorized by law, including the Coco Levy Funds, shall be remitted to the Treasury in the General Fund of the State

but shall be treated as Special Accounts in the General Fund and shall be released to the implementing agencies subject to the approval of the President;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to prescribe administrative guidelines for the treatment of the Coco Levy Assets and the deposit of any privatization proceeds in the Special Account in the General Fund for Coco Levies (Coco Levy SAGF) to ensure that the Coco Levy Funds and Coco Levy Assets will only be utilized for the benefit of the coconut farmers and the Philippine coconut industry;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me, do hereby order and direct:

Section 1. *Reiteration of Policy.* All Coco Levy Funds and Coco Levy Assets reconveyed to the Government, whether voluntarily or through lawful order from a competent court, and all proceeds of any privatization of the Coco Levy Assets, shall be used solely and exclusively for the benefit of all the coconut farmers and for the development of the coconut industry.

Any disposition and utilization shall be guided by the following objectives:

- a. Improving coconut farm productivity, developing coconut-based enterprises, and increasing the income of coconut farmers;
- b. Strengthening coconut farmers' organizations; and
- c. Attaining a balanced, equitable, integrated, and sustainable growth, rehabilitation and development of the coconut industry.

Section 2. *Definition of Terms.*

2.1 *Coconut Levy* shall refer to the levies, taxes, enforced contributions, collections, assessments, or exactions imposed by the government pursuant to or in connection with the sale, delivery, or purchase of copra, copra resecada, or its equivalent in other coconut products, and collected for the most part from coconut farmers, planters, millers, refiners, processors, exporters, desiccators and other end-users of copra resecada or its equivalent in other coconut products, under, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Republic Act (RA) No. 6260, otherwise known as the Coconut Investment Act;
- b. PD No. 276 (s. 1973), entitled "Establishing a Coconut Consumers Stabilization Fund;"
- c. PD No. 582 (s. 1974), entitled "Further Amending Presidential Decree No. 232, as amended,"
- d. PD No. 961 (s. 1976), entitled "An Act to Codify the Laws Dealing with the Development of the Coconut and Other Oil Palm Industry and for other purposes;"
- e. PD No. 1468 (s. 1978), entitled "Revising Presidential Decree No. 961;"
- f. LOI No. 926 (s. 1979);
- g. PD No. 1841 (s. 1981), entitled "Prescribing a System of Financing the Socio-Economic and Developmental Program for the Benefit of the Coconut Farmers, and accordingly amending the laws thereon;" and
- h. PD No. 1842 (s. 1982), entitled "Amending Certain Provisions of Presidential Decree No. 1841, and creating a Coconut Reserve Fund;"

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- 2.2 *Coco Levy Funds* shall refer to all the funds created or sourced from the Coconut Levy, including, but not limited to, the Coconut Investment Fund (“CIF”), the CCSE, which was later renamed as the Coconut Industry Stabilization Fund, the CIDE, and the CIIF.
- 2.3 *Coco Levy Assets* shall refer to the money, assets or properties, whether real or personal, tangible or intangible, wherever situated, arising from or otherwise funded by or acquired through the use or by means of any of the Coconut Levies or the Coco Levy Funds, directly or indirectly, including but not limited to shares, rights, and interests, whether vested, contingent, expectant, choate or inchoate, and any and all fruits, income, interest, or profits derived from these assets including those acquired in exchange or substitution thereof.

Section 3. *Inventory of the Coco Levy Assets.* Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order, the Presidential Commission on Good Government (“PCGG”) is hereby directed to:

- 3.1 With the assistance of the Office of the Solicitor General (OSG), submit a certified report to the Bureau of the Treasury (BTr), the Commission on Audit (COA) and the Office of the President, identifying and accounting for all known Coco Levy Assets. The Report shall indicate:
- Whether specific assets were surrendered to or sequestered by the PCGG;
 - The ownership structure of all corporations organized or acquired through the use, directly or indirectly, of the Coco Levy Funds, including their money, investments and assets, and all their subsidiaries and affiliates;
 - The investments in shares of stock of corporations, indicating the number of shares acquired through the use of Coco Levy Funds, the ownership structure, the business of such corporations and the subsidiaries and affiliates of such corporations;
 - The money, assets and investments (inclusive of any corporate interests) of the CIIF managed by UCPB;
 - The money, assets and investments of the CIIF Companies; and
 - The money, assets and investments of the CIIF Holding Companies.
- 3.2 Submit to the BTr for safekeeping, all stock certificates, certificates of title and other documentary proofs of title and ownership of the relevant Coco Levy Assets in its possession or, if not in its possession, procure the delivery of such documents to the BTr.
- The completion of the inventory conducted under this Section shall not be a prerequisite to the implementation of the other provisions of this Order, such as, but not limited to, the privatization of relevant Coco Levy Assets as herein authorized.

Section 4. *Transfer and Reconveyance of Coco Levy Assets to the Government.* Pursuant to the Decisions of the Supreme Court in *Philippine Coconut Producers Federation, Inc. (COCOFED), et al. v. Republic of the Philippines, et al.* (G.R. Nos. 177857-177858 and G.R. No. 178193), *Eduardo Cojuangco, Jr. v. Republic of the Philippines*, (G.R. No. 180705), *Republic v. Sandiganbayan* (G.R. No. 118661), *Republic of the Philippines v. COCOFED*, (G.R. Nos. 147062-64), the PCGG, the Bureau of Treasury (“BTr”), the Governance Commission for GOCCs (“GCG”) and the OSG, the government representatives to the boards of sequestered or surrendered corporations, and any government agency having any Coco Levy Asset in their administration, authority, custody or control, shall perform or cause the performance of the following:

4.1 Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order, reconvey and transfer title to the Republic of the Philippines over the Coco Levy Assets, including but not limited to the following:

- a. the shares of stock in UCPB determined to be owned by the Government;
- b. the shares of stock in the CIIF Companies and the CIIF Holding Companies;
- c. the Five Million Five Hundred Thousand (5,500,000) SMC shares paid by SMC and UCPB to and registered in the name of PCGG as arbitration fee on or about 22 March 1999 (“PCGG SMC Shares”).

4.2 Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order, deposit money and funds constituting the Coconut Levy or accruing from the Coco Levy Assets, in the Coco Levy SAGF with the BTr pursuant to PD No. 1234, including, but not limited to, the following:

- a. With respect of the Converted SMC Series 1 Preferred Shares:
 - i. All dividends declared, paid or issued after 17 September 2009;
 - ii. The proceeds from the redemption on 5 October 2012; and
 - iii. Income, interest, or profits derived from these assets;
- b. With respect to the PCGG SMC Shares:
 - i. All dividends declared, paid or issued since 22 March 1990;

4.3 Take any and all steps, and perform any and all acts necessary to implement the Supreme Court decisions, and other lawful orders of the courts, as may be ordered from time to time by the President.

Any and all other Coco Levy Assets that are or shall hereinafter be determined by final judgment to be owned by the Government, together with any and all fruits or income derived therefrom, including those acquired in exchange or substitution thereof, shall likewise be conveyed to or deposited in favor of the Government, and in accordance with this Section.

Section 5. *Privatization of Coco Levy Assets.* Pursuant to the national policy on the efficient and transparent privatization of government assets (including Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations) which are unnecessary or inappropriate for the government sector to maintain:

- 5.1 The GCG, in consultation with the Department of Finance (DOF), the Office of the Presidential Assistant for Food Security and Agricultural Modernization (OPAFSAM) and the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA), shall determine whether it is to the best interest of the Government to privatize any non-cash Coco Levy Asset / GOCC and shall recommend to the President the privatization and the mode of divestment, taking into account the need to generate maximum cash recovery and the implications of such divestment on the coconut industry.
- 5.2 The Privatization and Management Office (PMO) shall be the disposition entity for all non-cash Coco Levy Assets which have been approved for divestment by the President and shall expeditiously sell, alienate or dispose of the same upon securing the prior approval of the Privatization Council in consultation with the OPAFSAM and the PCA, pursuant to relevant laws, orders, rules, and regulations.

In the discharge of this additional mandate, and subject to the provisions of Section 6 hereof, the PMO is hereby empowered to implement the actual marketing/disposition program for the non-cash Coco Levy Assets, to execute and deliver, on behalf of the Government, the deeds of sale, contracts and other instruments as may be necessary or appropriate to convey title to such assets, to take possession of and conserve the non-cash Coco Levy Assets transferred to it, and to engage external expertise as may be necessary in the fulfillment of its tasks under this Order. Any sale and other mode of privatization shall not be considered final unless approved by the Privatization Council, in consultation with the OPAFSAM and the PCA.

The PMO shall, within three (3) months from the closure of its books at the end of each fiscal year, submit a comprehensive annual report to the President, through the Privatization Council, on the status of its privatization efforts and its disposition program for the non-cash Coco Levy Assets, which report shall include a description of the assets privatized and disposed of, the purchasers, the consideration received, and the agreed terms of payment.

Section 6. *Proceeds from Privatization of Coco Levy Assets.* All proceeds and receipts or revenues arising out of or in connection with the privatization of the Coco Levy Assets pursuant to the preceding Section shall be deposited in the Coco Levy SAGF, after deducting reasonable expenses actually, directly, and exclusively incurred by the PMO in connection with such privatization as may be approved by the Privatization Council in consultation with the OPAFSAM and the PCA.

Section 7. *Separability.* If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 8. *Repeal.* All other orders, rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 9. *Effectivity.* This Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 18th day of March, in year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 179: Providing the administrative guidelines for the inventory and privatization of Coco Levy Assets*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 180

PROVIDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES FOR THE RECONVEYANCE AND UTILIZATION OF COCO LEVY ASSETS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COCONUT FARMERS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COCONUT INDUSTRY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 755 mandated the acquisition of a commercial bank for the benefit of the coconut farmers (now the United Coconut Planters Bank, “UCPB”) through the use of the Coconut Consumers Stabilization Fund (CCSF) and the distribution, for free, of the shares of stocks in UCPB to coconut farmers;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9 of PD No. 1468, the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) was mandated to ascertain the amount of collections out of the CCSF and/or the Coconut Industry Development Fund (CIDF) which may be treated as surplus, and subsequently this ascertained surplus came to be known as the Coconut Industry Investment Fund (CIIF);

WHEREAS, UCPB was authorized under PD No. 1468 to utilize the CIIF in making investments in the form of shares of stocks in corporations organized for the purpose of engaging in the establishment and operation of industries and commercial activities and other allied business undertakings;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the foregoing mandate, and Letter of Instructions (LOI) No. 926 (s. 1979), UCPB acquired six coconut oil mills corporations using the CIIF (collectively, the “CIIF Companies”);

WHEREAS, the CIIF Companies thereafter acquired or organized fourteen holding companies (collectively, the “CIIF Holding Companies”);

WHEREAS, the CIIF Holding Companies later acquired shares of stock of San Miguel Corporation (SMC);

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court held, in *Philippine Coconut Producers Federation, Inc. (COCOFED), et al. v. Republic of the Philippines, et al.* (G.R. Nos. 177857-177858 and G.R. No. 178193), and *Republic of the Philippines v. Sandiganbayan, et al.* (G.R. No. 118661), that:

- a. Coconut levy funds are in the nature of taxes;
- b. Coconut levy funds cannot be used to purchase shares of stocks to be given for free to private individuals, and thus the so-called Farmers’ UCPB Shares, covering 64.98% of the UCPB shares of stock, are owned by the Republic of the Philippines; and
- c. The CIIF Companies, the CIIF Holding Companies, and the Converted SMC Series 1 Preferred Shares totaling 753,848,312 shares together with all dividends, are owned by the Government, and to be used only for the benefit of the coconut farmers and for the development of the coconut industry;

WHEREAS, PD No. 1234 requires that all income and collections for special funds authorized by law, including the Coco Levy Funds, shall be remitted to the Treasury in the General Fund of the State

but shall be treated as Special Accounts in the General Fund and shall be released to the implementing agencies subject to the approval of the President; and

WHEREAS, without prejudice to other actions as may be directed by the President from time to time, it is necessary to prescribe administrative guidelines for the reconveyance and utilization of the Coco Levy Assets already declared by the Supreme Court as owned by the Government, to ensure that Coco Levy Assets will only be utilized for the benefit of the coconut farmers, and the Philippine coconut industry.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO SIMEON AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me, do hereby order and direct:

Section 1. *Reiteration of Policy.* All Coco Levy Funds and Coco Levy Assets reconveyed to the Government, whether voluntarily or through lawful order from a competent court, and all proceeds of any privatization of the Coco Levy Assets, shall be used solely and exclusively for the benefit of all the coconut farmers and for the development of the coconut industry.

Any disposition and utilization shall be guided by the following objectives:

- a. Improving coconut farm productivity, developing coconut-based enterprises, and increasing the income of coconut farmers;
- b. Strengthening coconut farmers' organizations; and
- c. Attaining a balanced, equitable, integrated, and sustainable growth, rehabilitation and development of the coconut industry.

Section 2. *Definition of Terms.*

2.1 *Coconut Levy* shall refer to the levies, taxes, enforced contributions, collections, assessments, or exactions imposed by the government pursuant to or in connection with the sale, delivery or purchase of copra, copra resecada, or its equivalent in other coconut products, and collected for the most part from coconut farmers, planters, millers, refiners, processors, exporters, desiccators and other end-users of copra resecada or its equivalent in other coconut products, under, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Republic Act No. 6260, otherwise known as the Coconut Investment Act;
- b. PD No. 276 (s. 1973), entitled "Establishing a Coconut Consumers Stabilization Fund;"
- c. PD No. 582 (s. 1974), entitled "Further Amending Presidential Decree No. 232, as amended,"
- d. PD No. 961 (s. 1976), entitled "An Act to codify the laws dealing with the development of the Coconut and Other Oil Palm Industry and for other purposes;"
- e. PD No. 1468 (s. 1978), entitled "Revising Presidential Decree 961;"
- f. LOI No. 926 (s. 1979);
- g. PD No. 1841 (s. 1981), entitled "Prescribing a system of financing the socio-economic and developmental program for the benefit of the coconut farmers, and accordingly amending the laws thereon;" and
- h. PD No. 1842 (s. 1982), entitled "Amending certain provisions of Presidential Decree No. 1841, and creating a Coconut Reserve Fund;"

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- 2.2 *Coco Levy Funds* shall refer to all the funds created or sourced from the Levy, including, but not limited to, the Coconut Investment Fund (“CIF”), the CCSF, which was later renamed as the Coconut Industry Stabilization Fund, the CIDE, the CIIF.
- 2.3 *Coco Levy Assets* shall refer to the money, assets or properties, whether real or personal, tangible or intangible, wherever situated, arising from or otherwise funded by or acquired through the use or by means of any of the Coconut Levies or the Coco Levy Funds, directly or indirectly, including but not limited to shares, rights, and interests, whether vested, contingent, expectant, choate or inchoate, and any and all fruits, income, interest, or profits derived from these assets including those acquired in exchange or substitution thereof.
- 2.4 *Roadmap* shall refer to the Integrated Coconut Industry Roadmap and the Coconut Roadmap for Coco Levy, to be developed by the PCA for the approval of the President.

Section 3. *Actions to Preserve, Protect and Recover Coco Levy Assets.* The Office of the Solicitor General (OSG), the Presidential Commission on Good Government (PCGG), and any other concerned government agency shall, under the general supervision of the Secretary of Justice, file the proper pleadings or institute and maintain the necessary legal actions to preserve, protect, or recover the Government’s rights and interests in the Coco Levy Assets and to prevent any dissipation or reduction in their value.

Section 4. *Transfer and Reconveyance of Coco Levy Assets to the Government.* Pursuant to the Decisions of the Supreme Court in *Philippine Coconut Producers Federation, Inc. (COCOFED), et al. v. Republic of the Philippines, et al.* (G.R. Nos. 177857-177858 and G.R. No. 178193), *Eduardo Cojuangco, Jr. v. Republic of the Philippines* (G.R. No. 180705), *Republic v. Sandiganbayan* (G.R. No. 118661), *Republic of the Philippines v. COCOFED* (G.R. Nos. 147062-64), the PCGG, the Bureau of Treasury (“BTr”), the Governance Commission for GOCCs (“GCG”), the OSG, the government representatives to the boards of sequestered or surrendered corporations, and any government agency having any Coco Levy Asset in their administration, authority, custody or control, shall perform or cause the performance of the following:

- 4.1 Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order, reconvey and transfer title to the Republic of the Philippines over the Coco Levy Assets, including but not limited to the following:
- a. the shares of stock in UCPB determined to be owned by the Government;
 - b. the shares of stock in the CIIF Companies and the CIIF Holding Companies;
 - c. the Five Million Five Hundred Thousand (5,500,000) SMC shares paid by SMC and UCPB to and registered in the name of PCGG as arbitration fee on or about 22 March 1999 (“PCGG SMC Shares”).
- 4.2 Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order, deposit money and funds constituting the Coconut Levy or accruing from the Coco Levy Assets, in the Special Account in the General Fund for Coco Levies with the BTr pursuant to PD No. 1234, including, but not limited to, the following:
- a. With respect to the Converted SMC Series 1 Preferred Shares:
 - i. All dividends declared, paid or issued after 17 September 2009;
 - ii. The proceeds from the redemption on 5 October 2012; and
 - iii. Income, interest, or profits derived from these assets;
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b. With respect to the PCGG SMC Shares:

i. All dividends declared, paid or issued since 22 March 1990;

4.3 Take any and all steps, and perform any and all acts necessary to implement the Supreme Court Decisions, and other lawful orders of the courts, as may be ordered from time to time by the President.

Any and all other Coco Levy Assets that are or shall hereinafter be determined by final judgment to be owned by the Government, together with any and all fruits or income derived therefrom, including those acquired in exchange or substitution thereof, shall likewise be conveyed to or deposited in favor of the Government, and in accordance with this Section.

Section 5. *Dissolution of CIIF Holding Companies.* The BTr, GCG, OSG, the government representatives to the boards of sequestered or surrendered corporations, and any government agency having any Coco Levy Asset in their administration, authority, custody, or control, shall hereafter dissolve or cause the dissolution of the CIIF Holding Companies pursuant to existing laws, provided that, all the remaining money and assets of the CIIF Holding Companies after its dissolution shall be transferred, deposited, or delivered to the Government in accordance with the foregoing provisions.

Section 6. *Approval of Roadmap.* The PCA, in coordination with the Office of the Presidential Assistant for Food, Security, and Agricultural Modernization, is hereby directed to develop and submit the Roadmap, for the approval of the President.

Section 7. *Funding Source.* The initial funding for the Roadmap shall be sourced from the money and funds constituting the Coconut Levy and Coco Levy Assets.

The initial funding shall be released upon approval of the Roadmap by the President, and upon compliance with all existing applicable laws and budgetary, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

Section 8. *Utilization of Funds.* The funds, once released, shall be utilized by the PCA together with the government agencies involved in the Roadmap only for the purpose for which such funds have been allocated and released, and in all cases only for the benefit of the coconut farmers and for the development of the coconut industry.

The PCA shall prepare a monthly cash program and shall render an annual report to the President, which shall be considered in the preparation of the annual budget for the Roadmap.

Section 9. *Implementing Rules.* The PCA may issue such implementing rules and regulations as may be necessary to ensure the fulfillment of its mandate and the purposes of this Order.

To ensure the implementation, coordination, and integration of national efforts and programs towards the total development of the coconut industry for the ultimate benefit of the coconut farmers, the PCA, in carrying out its responsibilities, shall conduct consultations with the coconut farmers, farm workers and other key stakeholders. Government agencies shall extend such assistance to the PCA as may be necessary for the successful implementation of this Order.

Section 10. *Separability.* If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 11. *Repeal.* All other orders, rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 12. *Effectivity.* This Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 18th day of March, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 181
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE FY 2015 GENERAL
APPROPRIATIONS ACT (GAA) ON THE GRANT OF THE FY 2015 PRODUCTIVITY
ENHANCEMENT INCENTIVE (PEI) TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

WHEREAS, Item (4)(a)(iv) of the Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution (JR) No. 4 (s. 2009) includes *Incentives* as a component of the Total Compensation Framework for government personnel. Item (4)(h)(ii) thereof also provides for the grant of *Incentives* as rewards for exceeding agency financial and operational performance targets, and to motivate employee efforts toward higher productivity;

WHEREAS, Section 1(a) of Executive Order No. 80 (s. 2012) stipulates the grant of the Productivity Enhancement Incentive (PEI) as a component of the Performance-Based Incentive System, at ₱ 5,000 across the board; and

WHEREAS, under Item 3 of the Special Provisions on the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund (MPBF) of Republic Act (RA) No. 10651, entitled “An Act Appropriating Funds for the Operation of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines from January One to December Thirty-One, Two Thousand and Fifteen, and for Other Purposes,” the amount of Thirty Billion Six Hundred Forty Seven Million Four Hundred Sixty Four Thousand Pesos (₱30,647,464,000.00) has been appropriated for the grant of the PEI to employees of the National Government, including State Universities and Colleges (SUCs), subject to the guidelines to be issued by the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and applicable laws, do hereby order:

Section 1. The One-Time Grant of the FY 2015 PEI Equivalent to One Month Basic Salary. The PEI for FY 2015, equivalent to either ₱5,000 or one month basic salary as of May 31, 2015, is authorized to be granted by agencies, which meet the conditions stipulated in this Order, to their respective qualified personnel:

- a. National Government Agencies (NGAs) including SUCs;
- b. The Congress of the Philippines, Judiciary, Civil Service Commission (CSC), Commission on Audit (COA), Commission on Election (COMELEC), and the Office of the Ombudsman (OMB), subject to Section 8 hereof;
- c. Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs), including Local Water Districts (LWDs), and Government Financial Institutions (GFIs); and
- d. Local Government Units (LGUs).

Section 2. Personnel Covered. This Order shall apply to the following government personnel:

- a. Civilian personnel occupying regular, contractual, or casual positions, whether appointive or elective, on full-time or part-time basis, provided they have employer-employee relationship with the agencies concerned and whose compensation are charged against Personnel Services appropriations; and
- b. Military Personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, Department of National Defense; and uniformed personnel of the Philippine National Police, Bureau of Fire Protection, and Bureau of Jail Management and Penology under the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG); the Philippine Coast Guard; and the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority.

Section 3. Exclusions. The following individuals hired by the government without employer-employee relationship and paid from non-Personnel Services appropriations are excluded from the coverage of this Order. Said individuals may include, but not be limited to, the following:

- a. Consultants and experts hired to perform specific activities or services with expected outputs;
- b. Laborers hired through job contracts (*pakyaw*) and those paid on piecework basis;
- c. Student laborer and apprentices; and
- d. Individuals and groups whose services are engaged through job orders, contracts of services, or others similarly situated.

Section 4. Conditions to be Met by Agencies Before They Could Grant the One-Time PEI at One Month Basic Salary. The PEI for FY 2015 equivalent to one month basic salary is authorized to be granted only by agencies that comply with the following conditions:

- a. For NGAs including SUCs, and GOCCs not covered by RA No. 10149 (GOCCs Governance Act of 2011):
 - a.1 Achievement of at least 90% of the FY 2014 targets under at least two (2) performance indicators (quantity, quality, or timeliness) for at least one (1) Major Final Output (MFO) under Operations”;
 - a.2 Compliance with the posting of the Transparency Seal as required under Section 91, General Provisions of the FY 2014 General Appropriations Act (R.A. No. 10633); and
 - a.3 Compliance with the posting or publication of the Citizen’s Charter or its equivalent as required under the Anti-Red Tape Ad of 2007 (R.A. No. 9485).
- b. For GOCCs covered under RA No. 10149:
 - b.1 Achievement of at least 90% of the FY 2014 targets under at least two (2) performance indicators (quantity, quality, or timeless) for at least one (1) Major Final Output (MFO) under “Operations” or the targets under the Performance Scorecard as agreed upon between the Governance Commission for GOCCs (GCG) and the

GOCC pursuant to GCG Memorandum Circular No. 2013-02 (Re-issued) dated June 24, 2014.

- b.2 Compliance with the posting of the Transparency Seal as required under Section 91, General Provisions of the FY 2014 General Appropriations Act (R. A. No. 10633); and
 - b.3 Compliance with the posting or publication of the Citizen's Charter or its equivalent as required under the Anti-Red Tape Act of 2007 (R.A. No. 9485).
- c. For Local Water Districts (LWDs):
- c.1 Positive net balance in the average net income for the 12 months of operations prior to May 31, 2015.
- d. For Local Government Units (LGUs):
- d.1 Compliance with the requirements under the Good Financial Housekeeping (formerly the Seal of Good Housekeeping) component of the FY 2014 Seal of Good Local Governance (DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2014-39).

Upon compliance with the above conditions, as verified accordingly under the succeeding section, an agency is authorized to grant PEI to its employees who have qualified under the Employee Service Requirement under Section 6 hereof. Otherwise, agencies unable to comply with the above conditions may grant the PEI only at the fixed amount of ₱5, 000 to qualified employees.

Section 5. Validation of Compliance with the Conditions in Section 4 hereof. Compliance with the following conditions shall be validated by the following oversight agencies, to be consolidated by the Inter-Agency Task Force created under Administrative Order No. 25 (s. 2011) (AG 25 IATF):

- a. Major Final Output or Performance Scorecard
 - a.1 The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) for NGAs and GOCCs not covered by RA 10149;
 - a.2 The GCG for GOCCs covered by RA 10149; and
 - a.3 The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for SUCs.
- b. Transparency Seal – the DBM for all agencies concerned
- c. Citizen's Charter – the CSC for all agencies concerned

In the case of the positive net balance in the average net income of LWDs, the Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA) shall be responsible for validating compliance. Finally, the DILG shall validate the compliance of LGUs with the Good Financial Housekeeping under the Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG).

Section 6. Employee Service Requirement. To be entitled to the FY 2015 PEI at one month basic salary, employees must have (1) rendered at least a total or an aggregate of *four (4) months of service as of May 31, 2015*, including leaves of absence with pay, and who are still in the service as of May 31, 2015; and (2) obtained at least a *satisfactory performance rating*.

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- a. Employees who have rendered less than the total or an aggregate of four (4) months of satisfactory service as of May 31, 2015, may still be paid the full amount of the PEI upon completion of the four (4) months and satisfactory service rating requirements before the end of FY 2015.
 - b. Employees hired after May 31, 2015 may also be paid the full amount of the PEI upon completion of the four (4) months and satisfactory service rating requirements before the end of FY 2015.
 - c. Employees with less than four (4) months service in FY 2015, or whose performance ratings are unsatisfactory are not entitled to the PEI.

Section 7. Other Guidelines on the Payment FY 2015 PEI.

- a. The PEI of an employee on part-time basis shall be pro-rated corresponding to the services rendered. If employed on part-time basis with two (2) or more agencies, an employee shall be entitled to proportionate amounts corresponding to the services in each agency, provided that the PEI shall not exceed the authorized amount.
- b. The PEI of an employee who transferred from one agency to another shall be granted by the new agency.
- c. The PEI of an employee on detail with another government agency shall be granted by the mother agency.
- d. A compulsory retiree on service extension as of May 31, 2015 may be granted the PEI subject to the pertinent guidelines herein.
- e. Personnel charged with administrative and/or criminal charges and meted penalty in FY 2015 shall not be entitled to the PEI. Those granted the PEI and later on found guilty and meted the penalty in 2015 shall refund the PEI. If the penalty meted out is only a reprimand, such penalty shall not disqualify the employee concerned to the grant of the PEI.

Section 8. Applicability to the Legislative and Judicial Branches, and Other Offices Vested with Fiscal Autonomy. Pursuant to item 4(h)(ii)(bb) of the Senate and House of Representatives Joint Resolution No. 4, s. 2008, the Senate President, Speaker of the House Representatives, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Ombudsman, and the heads of the CSC, COA and COMELEC may also grant their personnel the FY 2015 PEI at a maximum of one month basic salary pursuant to item 3 of the Special Provisions on the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefit Fund (MPBF) of RA 10651 or the General Appropriations Act (GAA) of 2015, subject to pertinent budgeting and accounting laws, rules and regulations.

Section 9. Funding Sources. Funds for the payment of the PEI shall be sourced as follows:

- a. For the Executive branch and SUCs – DBM shall release the amount needed from the MPBF under the FY 2015 GAA, subject to the result of the validation done by the oversight agencies concerned;
 - b. For the Congress, Judiciary, CSC, COA, COMELEC and the OMB – DBM shall release the amount needed from the MPBF under the FY 2015 GAA, subject to their respective adopted guidelines;
 - c. For GOCCs, GFIs, and LWDs – from their respective approved corporate operating budgets for FY 2015. In case of insufficient funds, the PEI may be granted at a lower rate but at a uniform percentage of the authorized amount;
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- d. For LGUs – from LGU funds, subject to the Personnel Services limitation in LGU budgets pursuant to Section 325 (a) and 331 (b) of RA No. 7160 (The Local Government Code of 1991). In case of insufficient funds, the PEI may be granted at a lower rate but at a uniform percentage of the authorized amount.

Section 10. When to Pay the FY 2015 PEI. Payment of the FY 2015 PEI shall be made not earlier than June 1, 2015.

Section 11. Resolution of Cases. Cases not covered by the provisions of this Order as well as issues arising from the implementation of the provisions of this Order shall be referred to the DBM for final resolution. DBM may likewise issue guidelines as may be necessary for the proper implementation of this Order.

Section 12. Responsibility of Agency Heads. Agency heads shall be responsible for the implementation of the provisions of this Order in their respective offices. They shall be held administratively, civilly, and/or criminally liable, as the case may be, for the payment of the PEI not in accordance with the provisions of this Order without prejudice to the refund by the employees concerned of any unauthorized or excess payment thereof.

Section 13. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 14. Repeal. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the Provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 15. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 15th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 182
PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOTIVE
RESURGENCE STRATEGY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Articles II and XII of the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines recognize the indispensable role of the private sector in encouraging private enterprise, providing incentives to needed investments, and promoting industrialization and full employment;

WHEREAS, Articles 2 and 7 of Executive Order (EO) No. 226 (s. 1987) or the “Omnibus Investments Code of 1987,” as amended, declare that the State shall encourage private Filipino and foreign investments in industry which shall provide significant employment opportunities, provide a foundation for the future development of the economy, and meet the tests of international competitiveness and empower the Board of Investments (BOI) to formulate and implement rationalization programs for certain industries to address impediments to economic growth, and formulate guidelines for progressive manufacturing programs;

WHEREAS, EO Nos. 156 (s. 2002) and 877-A (s. 2010) provide for a comprehensive industrial policy and directions for the Motor Vehicle Development Program to accelerate the sound development of the Philippine Motor Vehicle Industry, recognizing the need to attain competitiveness in the ASEAN region in particular;

WHEREAS, there is a need to augment and enhance policy and directions of existing motor vehicle development programs towards ensuring a resurgent automotive industry that supports innovation, technology transfer, environmental protection, and Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) development;

WHEREAS, there is a need to enable the country’s automotive industry to seize market opportunities opened by the ASEAN Economic Community and deepen its participation in the regional supply chain; and

WHEREAS, the improvement of the automotive industry will boost manufacturing capability of the overall industrial sector, spur growth of SMEs and create more jobs in the country.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Comprehensive Automotive Resurgence Strategy Program. The Comprehensive Automotive Resurgence Strategy Program, herein referred to as the “CARS Program,” is hereby adopted and implemented in order to attract new investments, stimulate demand and effectively implement industry regulations that will revitalize the Philippine automotive industry, and develop the country as a regional automotive manufacturing hub.

The thrust of this Program is to provide time-bound, and output or performance-based fiscal support to attract strategic investments in the manufacturing of motor vehicles and parts thereof. Other non-fiscal measures already provided by existing laws, rules and regulations, shall continue to be systematically implemented by the relevant government agencies.

SECTION 2. Coverage. The CARS Program shall be limited to the manufacture of three (3) Models of four-wheeled motor vehicles, and shall cover the following activities:

- a. Production of the enrolled Models;
- b. Manufacture of Body Shell Assembly and Large Plastic Assemblies of the Model;
- c. Manufacture of Common Parts and Strategic Parts not currently produced in the country at Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) standards of the Model/s; and
- d. Shared Testing Facility for vehicles and/or parts.

SECTION 3. Definition of Terms. As used herein, the following shall mean:

- a. *Body Shell Assembly* shall consist of the full set of metal components that goes from the body shop to the paint shop for one vehicle.
 - b. *Common Parts* refer to automotive vehicle parts not currently produced in the Philippines at OEM standards that the registered Participating Car Makers (PCMs) agree to source from one parts supplier, such as, but not limited to, automotive glass and automotive seat fabric.
 - c. *Full Model Change* refers to the major design change in the external body shell bumpers, including grills and lamps and interior of a vehicle. Full Model Change typically happens every four to six years for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles.
 - d. *Large Plastic Parts* shall refer to all major plastic parts of bumpers, instrument panels, center consoles and door trims.
 - e. *Logistics Efficiency Index* shall refer to the measure of cost efficiency of the logistics involved in the supply of motor vehicle parts and components for the enrolled Model.
 - f. *Model* refers to a nameplate that is not currently manufactured in the country. However, a full model change of a nameplate that is currently manufactured in the country shall be considered a Model under this CARS Program.
 - g. *Model Life* refers to the years upon which there are no major changes in the over-all design and appearance of a Model.
 - h. *Nameplate* refers to the name used by the car maker in marketing a model, including its variants, in the Philippines.
 - i. *Parts* refer to the Body Shell Assembly and Large Plastic Parts Assemblies of the Model, as well as the Common and Strategic Parts.
 - j. *Planned total production volume* refers to the model life production volume up to a maximum of six (6) years as submitted by the applicant.
 - k. *Segment Weighted Average Price* refer to the weighted average Net Manufacturer's Price for the vehicle segment of an enrolled Model less the estimated manufacturer's net profit of five percent (5%).
 - l. *Standard Production Support* refers to the quotient of sixty percent of the Model Life Budget over the difference between the planned Model Life production volume and one hundred thousand. Model Life in this case shall not exceed six (6) years.
 - m. *Strategic Parts* refer to automotive vehicle parts specific to an enrolled Model not currently produced in the Philippines at OEM standards such as, but not limited to, struts and shock absorbers, plastic fuel tanks, head lamps, rear combination lamps, steering assembly, and aluminum radiators.
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SECTION 4. Functions of the BOI. The BOI, as the lead implementing and coordinating agency of the CARS Program, shall perform the following:

- a. Act upon the recommendation/s of the Inter-Agency Committee on Automotive Industry Development established under Section 5 of this Executive Order;
- b. Oversee the implementation of the CARS Program;
- c. Submit the annual report on the performance of the CARS Program to the Office of the President (OP);
- d. Coordinate automotive industry development efforts of all concerned agencies and instrumentalities of the government; and
- e. Perform such other acts as may be necessary or incidental to the exercise of its function and powers and the discharge of its duties under this Order.

SECTION 5. Inter-agency Committee on Automotive Industry Development. An Inter-agency Committee on Automotive Industry Development, herein referred to as “the Inter-agency Committee,” is hereby created to administer and implement the CARS Program.

The Department of Trade and Industry-BOI representative shall act as Chairperson of the Inter-agency Committee, with members from the following:

- a. Department of Finance (DOF);
- b. Department of Transportation and Communication;
- c. Department of Science and Technology;
- d. National Economic and Development Authority;
- e. Technical Education and Skills Development Authority;
- f. The Co-Chairman of the Industry Development Council; and
- g. The Co-Chairman of the National Competitiveness Council.

The BOI shall also act as the Secretariat of the Inter-Agency Committee.

SECTION 6. Functions of the Inter-Agency Committee. The Inter-agency Committee shall perform the following functions:

- a. Evaluate applications for enrollment of Models under the CARS Program;
 - b. Evaluate applications for registration of PCMs, including its makers and/or service providers of Body Shells, Large Plastics Parts, Common Parts and Strategic Parts under the CARS Program;
 - c. Recommend to the BOI the issuance of the Certificate of Registration for the PCMs including its makers and/or service providers and impose terms and conditions;
 - d. Evaluate eligibility and availment of the fiscal support under the CARS Program;
 - e. Monitor overall CARS performance and audit compliance of the CARS Program;
 - f. Prepare annual report on the performance of the CARS Program, to be submitted to the OP, through the BOI;
 - g. Recommend to BOI the withdrawal/forfeiture of the fiscal support in the event that the registered Participant fails to comply with the terms and conditions of its registration;
 - h. Undertake studies and research including review of existing government regulations, as needed, to make policy recommendations in enhancing the effectivity of the CARS and
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other related Programs, as well as, in improving the overall performance of the automotive industry; and

- i. Perform such other functions as may be necessary.

SECTION 7. Criteria for Enrollment of a Model. The criteria for the enrollment of a Model shall be based on, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Track record and Model competitiveness;
- b. New investments in Body Shell Assembly and Large Plastic Parts Assemblies;
- c. Planned volume, as may be determined by BOI, but in no case lower than two hundred thousand (200,000) vehicles over the Model Life up to a maximum of 6 years;
- d. Economic impact of the investment plan for the Model, including impact on the parts manufacturing industry and linkages, jobs generation, and overall consumer welfare;
- e. Overall competitive environment and long-term industry development; and
- f. Compliance with fuel efficiency and emission level standards as may be determined by BOI, which in no case shall be lower than the standards under the Clean Air Act.

SECTION 8. Eligibility and Qualifications of Participants. The participating Car Makers, Parts Makers and Shared Testing Facility Proponent must meet the following qualifications, and such other criteria as may be required by BOI:

Minimum Qualifications for Car Makers

- a. An internationally-recognized Car Maker/brand owner and/or its authorized in country licensed manufacturer acting jointly with an internationally-recognized carmaker/brand owner;
- b. Proven global track record; and
- c. Existing multinational operations.

Minimum Qualifications for Parts Makers

- a. Endorsed by the PCM to manufacture parts of its enrolled Model;
- b. OEM automotive Parts Maker and/or its authorized in-country licensed manufacturer acting jointly with an internationally-recognized carmaker/brand owner;
- c. Proven track record; and
- d. A member of good standing of the Philippine Parts Maker Association.

Minimum Qualifications for the Shared Testing Facility Proponent

- a. Collectively endorsed by the PCMs; and
- b. Proven track record.

SECTION 9. Application and Selection Process. The BOI shall establish the application and selection process for Model enrollment and the qualifying program for Participants, imposing such terms and conditions as it may deem necessary to promote the objectives of the CARS Program.

The BOI shall prescribe an application period during which a PCM can apply for the enrollment of only one (1) Model. However, if the three (3) Models are not fully subscribed within the said period, the BOI can set a new application period for enrollment of additional Model(s), in which case, more than one (1) Model may be granted to a PCM.

Upon approval, the BOI shall issue a Certificate of Registration to the PCM which shall post a performance bond in an amount to be determined by the BOI. The registered PCM shall be deemed a member under the Motor Vehicle Development Program.

SECTION 10. Fiscal Support. The registered Participants may be entitled to two (2) kinds of fiscal support during the enrolled Model Life, up to a maximum of six (6) years, namely: (1) Fixed Investment Support (FIS); and (2) Production Volume Incentive (PVI); Provided, that the Participants satisfy the following qualifications:

Criteria to be Eligible to FIS

- a. New investments in the manufacture of Parts and/or establishment of Shared Testing Facility;
- b. Delivery of Parts to the PCM within the prescribed period as stipulated by the BOI;
- c. Introduction of the enrolled Model to the market using the Parts manufactured under this CARS Program;
- d. Consistently meeting the criteria for enrollment of PCMs; and
- e. Attainment of other conditions that the BOI has imposed at the time of registration.

Criteria to be Eligible to PVI

- a. Manufacture of at least fifty percent (50%) of the assembly by weight in the case of Body Shell Assembly;
- b. Manufacture of major components of the assemblies in the case of Large Plastic Parts Assemblies;
- c. Exceeds one hundred thousand (100,000) units in production volume; and
- d. Attainment of other conditions that the BOI has imposed at the time of registration.

This fiscal support shall be computed based on the Segment Weighted Average Price, Standard Production Support, and Logistics Efficiency Index, as defined in this Executive Order, during the manufacture of the enrolled Models.

SECTION 11. Establishment of the Automotive Development Fund in the General Appropriations Act. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM), in coordination with the BOI, shall propose, through the National Expenditure Program, the inclusion of an Automotive Development Fund (ADF) in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA), to fund the fiscal support to be granted to registered and eligible Participants.

The total fiscal support for the CARS Program will be given beginning 2016, and shall not exceed Twenty-Seven Billion Pesos (₱27 Billion), with each enrolled Model qualified to a fiscal support in an amount not exceeding Nine Billion Pesos (₱9 Billion), to be allocated as follows:

- a. Forty Percent (40%) for FIS, provided that in cases of Parts and Shared Testing Facility, the FIS shall not exceed 40% of the capital expenditure for tooling and equipment to

- manufacture the parts, including training costs for the initial start-up operation for the use thereof; and
- b. Sixty percent (60%) for PVI.

The DBM shall likewise propose that the GAA includes a special provision providing that the use and disbursement of the ADF shall be pursuant to this Executive Order.

SECTION 12. Annual Appropriations. The DBM shall indicate in the annual National Expenditure Program the annual estimated expenditure necessary to support the CARS Program for that year, until the amount of Twenty-Seven Billion Pesos (₱27 Billion) is fully utilized and/or the financial obligations to the program Participants are fully paid, subject to DBM policy and guidelines on budget preparation.

SECTION 13. Tax Payment Certificate. The fiscal support for the registered and eligible Participants shall be evidenced by a non-transferrable Tax Payment Certificate (TPC)-as provided by law. This shall be used to defray the tax and duty obligations of the Participants to the National Government, specifically, excise tax, income tax, import duties, and Value Added Tax (VAT).

Towards this end, the BOI, DBM, and DOF shall draft an efficient and effective TPC mechanism.

SECTION 14. No Double Availment of Incentives. Registered Participants shall not be allowed to register their activity under any other program granting incentives.

SECTION 15. Monitoring and Compliance. The production volume, including parts importation volume, among others, deliverables and commitments, shall be subject to periodic audit. Further, parts makers and/or service providers shall be audited to prevent parts trading. Registered Participants shall be audited and strictly monitored.

Failure to meet the following shall cause the cancellation of the Certificate of Registration and/or forfeiture of support, and/or expulsion from the CARS Program:

- a. Investment in the manufacture of Parts and/or establishment of Shared Testing Facility within two (2) years from the issuance of the Certificate of Registration; and
- b. Delivery of Parts to the PCM within the prescribed period.

The Board may limit availment of support as it may deem necessary. Further, failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Executive Order, its Implementing Rules and Regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Certificate of Registration shall be subject to cancellation, suspension, forfeiture of support, fines and such other applicable penalties as may be allowed or prescribed by existing and applicable laws, rules and regulations.

SECTION 16. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The BOI, in coordination with the DOF, DBM and other concerned government agencies shall promulgate the rules and regulations to implement the objectives and provisions of this Executive Order.

SECTION 17. Review of EO 156 and EO 877-A. The Inter-agency Committee constituted under this Executive Order is hereby further ordered to review the existing Motor Vehicle Development Program and other relevant incentive schemes in the light of the implementation of the CARS program and recent regional and global economic developments. The review, which should be completed within six (6) months from the issuance of this EO, may, among others, explore the possibility of providing for new entrants intending to eventually participate in the CARS program a set of incentives during a limited transition period.

SECTION 18. Repealing Clause. All executive orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby revoked, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 19. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 20. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 29th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 183
CREATING A NEGROS ISLAND REGION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 4 of the Constitution provides that the President shall exercise general supervision over local government units;

WHEREAS, the administrative regions were established to promote efficiency in the Government, accelerate social and economic development and improve public services;

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 14 of the Constitution requires the President to provide for regional development councils or other similar bodies for purposes of administrative decentralization to strengthen the autonomy of units therein; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to further accelerate the social and economic development of the cities and municipalities comprising the provinces of Negros Occidental and Negros Oriental and improve the delivery of public services in the aforementioned provinces;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Negros Island Region. The Negros Island Region (NIR) is hereby created. The NIR shall be composed of the following provinces, including the cities, municipalities, and barangays comprising the provinces:

- a. Negros Oriental; and
- b. Negros Occidental.

SECTION 2. Negros Island Region Technical Working Group (NIR-TWG). A Negros Island Technical Working Group, composed of the Office of the President (OP), the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), National Economic Development Authority (NEDA), and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and the representatives of the Provinces of Negros Oriental and Negros Occidental, is hereby constituted to form a Technical Working Group (TWG).

The TWG will formulate a Roadmap to put in place the institutional arrangements for the NIR by 2015-2016; recommend to the OP the preferred Regional Center; arrange the requirements for organizational development, staffing, and budgeting of regional line and regulatory agencies, as well as the imperatives for development planning and investment programming.

SECTION 3. Regional Councils. Notwithstanding the activities of the NIR-TWG, the following Regional Councils are hereby constituted and the following government agencies are hereby designated as the interim secretariats:

- a. Negros Island Development Council – NEDA Secretariat;
- b. Negros Island Peace and Order Council – DILG as Secretariat; and
- c. Negros Island DRRM Council – Office of Civil Defense (OCD) as Secretariat.

SECTION 4. Funding. The funding for NIR-TWG shall be sourced from the implementing agencies of the NIR-TWG and the provinces making up the NIR, subject to the availability of funds and upon compliance with all existing applicable laws and budgetary, accounting, and auditing rules and regulations.

SECTION 5. Role of Government Agencies. All departments, bureaus, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities of the national government, including government-owned or –controlled corporations and government financial institutions, are hereby directed to extend their full assistance to the NIR-TWG in support of its functions and activities.

SECTION 6. Repealing. All orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 29th day of May, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 183: Creating a Negros Island Region and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 184
PROMULGATING THE TENTH REGULAR FOREIGN INVESTMENT NEGATIVE LIST

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 7042, also known as the “Foreign Investments Act of 1991,” as amended by RA No. 8179, provides for the formulation of a Regular Foreign Investment Negative List, covering investment areas/activities which are open to foreign investors and/or reserved to Filipino nationals; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to formulate the Tenth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List, replacing the Ninth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List, to reflect changes to List A, pursuant to existing laws.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Tenth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List. Only the investment areas and/or activities listed in the Annex hereof shall be reserved to Philippine nationals, and hereafter shall be referred to as the Tenth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List. The extent of foreign equity participation in these areas shall be limited to the percentages indicated in the List.

SECTION 2. Amendments. Amendments to List A may be made at any time to reflect changes instituted in specific laws while amendments to List B shall not be made more often than once every two years, pursuant to Section 8 of RA No. 7042, as amended, and its revised implementing rules and regulations.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 29th day of May, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:
(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 184: Promulgating the Tenth Regular Foreign Investment Negative List*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 185

**MODIFYING THE NOMENCLATURE AND RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED
ARTICLES AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF
COMMITMENTS ON CERTAIN PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL
GOODS LIST UNDER THE ASIA-PACIFIC ECONOMIC COOPERATION**

WHEREAS, under the 2007 Sydney and 2011 Honolulu Declarations, the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) leaders made a commitment to address issues on climate change, review the progress of the World Trade Organization (WTO) Doha Development Agenda negotiations on the liberalization of trade in environmental goods and services, and take concrete steps to achieve past ambitions and make green growth a reality, consistent with their WTO obligations;

WHEREAS, in its 2009 Annual Report, the APEC Committee on Trade and Investment endorsed the APEC Environmental Goods and Services (EGS) Work Program to help in reaching an agreement on actions to support sustainable growth in the region, advance work to increase utilization and dissemination of EGS, reduce existing barriers and refrain from introducing new barriers to trade and investment in EGS, and enhance the capabilities of economies to develop their EGS sectors;

WHEREAS, under the 2012 Vladivostok Declaration, the APEC leaders endorsed the APEC List of Environmental Goods enumerating 54 environmental goods that “directly and positively contribute to green growth and sustainable development objectives,” with a commitment to reduce applied rates to 5% or less on these environmental goods by the end of 2015, taking into account “economies’ economic circumstances, without prejudice to their position in the WTO;”

WHEREAS, on 19 May 2015, the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) Board recommended the reduction of the Most-Favored-Nation (MFN) rates of duty on certain tariff lines under the APEC List of Environmental Goods by 2015; and

WHEREAS, Section 401 of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 1464, or the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, empowers the President, upon the recommendation of NEDA, to increase, reduce or remove existing rates of import duty, as well as to modify the tariff nomenclature.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Rates of Import Duty. The articles specifically listed in Annex A hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the MFN rate of duty in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article. The rates of import duty on tariff headings and subheadings which are not enumerated and those which are listed but represented by the symbol “xxx” shall remain in force and effect.

SECTION 2. Levy on Articles. Upon the effectivity of this Order, all articles which are specifically listed in the aforesaid Annex and are entered into, or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the MFN rates of duty as therein prescribed.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules, and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 26th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex A

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 185: Modifying the nomenclature and rates of duty on certain imported articles as provided for under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines, as amended, in order to implement the Philippine tariff commitments on certain products included in the environmental goods list under the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 186

TRANSFERRING THE JURISDICTION, CONTROL, ADMINISTRATION AND
MANAGEMENT OF THE WATERSHED AREAS OF GEOTHERMAL RESERVATIONS
VESTED IN THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL OIL COMPANY PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE
ORDER NO. 223 (S. 1987) AND PROCLAMATION NO. 853 (S. 1992)

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 1515 (s. 1978), as amended by PD No. 1749 (s. 1980), provides that when the public interest so requires, the President may transfer to the appropriate agency of the government the jurisdiction over certain watersheds and reservations which may in the future support water-based energy projects;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 223 (s. 1987) vested in the Philippine National Oil Company (PNOC) the jurisdiction, control, management, protection, development and rehabilitation of the watershed areas surrounding geothermal reservations, namely: Tongonan Geothermal Reservation, Palinpinon Geothermal Reservation, Bacon-Manito Geothermal Reservation, and other geothermal reservations as may be discovered, identified, determined and developed by the PNOC, and proclaimed by the President of the Philippines, while Proclamation No. 853 (s. 1992) declared a certain portion of land situated within Mt. Apo National Park in South Cotabato and Davao as a geothermal reservation under the administration of the PNOC;

WHEREAS, considering that the PNOC has already privatized its geothermal arm, the PNOC-Energy Development Corporation, the PNOC no longer has an established watershed management body for the effective protection, rehabilitation, and development of the watershed areas; and

WHEREAS, EO No. 192 (s. 1987) designated the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) as the primary government agency responsible for the conservation, management, development and proper use of the country's environment and natural resources, including those in reservation and watershed areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Transfer of Functions. The jurisdiction, control, administration and management, including the protection, development and rehabilitation of the watershed areas surrounding the following geothermal reservations, are hereby transferred to the DENR:

- a. Tongonan Geothermal Reservation;
- b. Palinpinon Geothermal Reservation;
- c. Bacon-Manito Geothermal Reservation; and
- d. Mount Apo Geothermal Reservation.

SECTION 2. Funding. Subject to pertinent budgetary, accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations, funds needed for the implementation of this Order shall be charged against sources to be

identified by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM). Subsequent funding requirements for the implementation of this Order shall be incorporated in the annual budget proposals of the DENR through the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules, and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 8th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 186: Transferring the jurisdiction, control, administration and management of the watershed areas of geothermal reservations vested in the Philippine National Oil Company pursuant to Executive Order No. 223 (s. 1987) and Proclamation No. 853 (s. 1992)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 187
AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 120 (S. 2012) CONSTITUTING THE
BANGSAMORO TRANSITION COMMISSION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, under the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro and under Section 5 of the Executive Order (EO) No. 120 (s. 2012), the Bangsamoro Transition Commission shall cease to operate upon the enactment by Congress of the Bangsamoro Basic Law;

WHEREAS, under the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro, the Bangsamoro Transition Authority will be created only upon the promulgation and ratification of the Bangsamoro Basic Law;

WHEREAS, if the Bangsamoro Basic Law is enacted and ratified, there may be a gap in the intervening period between enactment and ratification within which neither the Bangsamoro Transition Commission nor the Bangsamoro Transition Authority will exist to address the issues relevant to the Bangsamoro Basic Law and to the Bangsamoro as a whole;

WHEREAS, there is a need to further strengthen and expand the functions of the Bangsamoro Transition Commission to address this foreseen gap during the intervening period between the enactment and ratification of the Bangsamoro Basic Law; and

WHEREAS, extending the duration of the Bangsamoro Transition Commission until such time that the Bangsamoro Basic Law is ratified, and vesting additional functions in such Commission, can better facilitate an efficient transition upon the ratification of the proposed Bangsamoro Basic Law.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Section 3(e) of EO No. 120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“e. To prepare and draft a Code of Parliamentary Procedures for the Future Bangsamoro Parliament and a Bangsamoro Administrative Code for the consideration of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority.”

The current Section 3(e) is hereby renumbered as Section 3(f).

Section 2. Section 5 of EO No. 120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“**SECTION 5. Duration.** – The Commission shall cease to operate upon the ratification of the Bangsamoro Basic Law in a plebiscite called for such purpose.”

Section 3. Repealing Clause. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, previous issuances, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Order, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 4. Separability. Should any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 20th day of August, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 187: Amending Executive Order No. 120 (s. 2012) constituting the Bangsamoro Transition Commission and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 188
IMPOSING A TEN PERCENT (10%) ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN EMPLOYEES'
COMPENSATION PENSION FOR EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

WHEREAS, there is a need to continually improve benefits under the Employees' Compensation (EC) Program to make them more responsive to the welfare and development needs of persons with work-related disabilities;

WHEREAS, on 14 January 2015, the Employees' Compensation Commission (ECC) adopted Board Resolution No. 15-01-01, approving a ten percent (10%) across-the-board increase in EC pension for employees in the public sector;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 177 (e) of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 442, otherwise known as the "Labor Code of the Philippines, as amended," the ECC shall have the powers and duties, among others, to upgrade benefits and grant new ones for permanent disability or death, subject to the approval of the President, provided that the actuarial stability of the SIF shall be guaranteed and such increases in benefits shall not require any increase in contributions; and

WHEREAS, the results of the actuarial study of the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) show that the State Insurance Fund (SIF) administered by the GSIS can finance the increase in EC pension for the public sector without affecting the stability of the SIF and without requiring addition contributions from the National Government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. EC Pension. The amount of EC pension for the public sector shall be increased by ten percent (10%) across-the-board, effective 01 May 2015; Provided, that the stability of the SIF shall be guaranteed; and Provided, further that, there is no corresponding increase in EC contribution from their employer, the National Government.

Section 2. Appropriation and Release from the SIF. The ECC and the GSIS are hereby directed to appropriate and release the amounts necessary to cover the increase in EC pension from the reserves of the SIF administered by the GSIS under the Employees' Compensation Program.

Section 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The ECC shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement this Executive Order.

Section 4. Repeal. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 5. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 11th day of September, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 188: Imposing a ten percent (10%) across-the-board increase in employees' compensation pension for employees in the public sector*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 189
CREATING THE NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution recognizes the vital role of communication and information in nation building;

WHEREAS, in order to ensure information security and promote a culture of responsibility and discipline in handling classified and sensitive electronic information in the bureaucracy, there is a need to review and update Memorandum Circulars 78 (s. 1964) and 196 (s. 1968) pertaining to the security of classified matters in government offices, in order to account for current developments in information and communications technology;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 10173, otherwise known as the “Data Privacy Act of 2012,” recognizes the vital role of information and communications technology in nation-building and its inherent obligation to ensure that personal data information and communications systems in the government and in the private sector are secured and protected;

WHEREAS, the “Data Privacy Act of 2012” mandates that all sensitive personal information maintained by the government, its agencies, and instrumentalities shall be secured, as far as practicable, with the use of the most appropriate standard recognized by the information and communications technology industry;

WHEREAS, among the powers granted to the Cybercrime Investigation and Coordinating Center (CICC) under RA No. 10175, otherwise known as the “Cybercrime Prevention Act of 2012,” is the formulation and enforcement of the national cybersecurity plan and the creation of a national computer emergency response team;

WHEREAS, there is an increasing number of cyber threats against government and commercial information systems which places these institutions at great risk;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to assess national vulnerabilities of government and commercial information systems to cyber threats that compromise critical infrastructure and strengthen the nation’s cybersecurity capability by putting in place measures to eliminate or reduce such vulnerabilities;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to create a body which will coordinate government agencies and other relevant sectors in the preparation of appropriate and effective measures to strengthen their cybersecurity capabilities against existing and future cyber threats; and

WHEREAS, under Executive (EO) No. 292, otherwise known as the “Revised Administrative Code of the Philippines,” the President has the continuing authority to reorganize the Office of the President.

NOW, THEREFORE, I BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Cybersecurity Inter-Agency Committee. There is hereby created a Cybersecurity Inter-Agency Committee, hereinafter referred to as “Committee,” under the Office of the President, to be

chaired by the Executive Secretary, co-chaired by the Director General of the National Security Council (NSC) and the Secretary of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), and shall further be composed of the following officials:

Members: Secretary of the Department of Energy (DOE);
Secretary of the Department of Finance (DOF);
Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA);
Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG);
Secretary of the Department of Justice (DOJ);
Secretary of the Department of National Defense (DND);
Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC);
Secretary of the Presidential Communications Development and Strategic Planning Office (PCDSPO);
Secretary of the Presidential Communications Operation Office (PCOO);
Commissioner of the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC);
Chairman of the National Privacy Commission (NPC); and
Executive Director of the Anti-Terrorism Council – Program Management Center (ATC-PMC).

The Committee may invite concerned public and private agencies or entities to participate, complement, and assist in the performance of its functions.

Section 2. Functions. The Committee shall have the following functions:

- a. Assess the vulnerabilities of the country's cybersecurity;
- b. Issue updated security protocols to all government employees in the storage, handling and distribution of all forms (digital, electronic, snail mail, etc.) of documents and communications. Following best practices, these protocols shall be updated periodically and as necessary, in light of the rapid developments in information and communications technology.
- c. Enhance the public-private partnership in the field of information sharing involving cyberattacks, threats and vulnerabilities to cyber threats;
- d. Conduct periodic strategic planning and workshop activities that will reduce the country's vulnerabilities to cyber threats;
- e. Direct its member agencies and appropriate agencies to implement cybersecurity measures as may be required by the situation;
- f. Serve as the country's coordinating arm on domestic, international, and transnational efforts pertaining to cybersecurity;
- g. Make such recommendations and/or such other reports as the President may from time to time direct; and
- h. Perform such other functions as may be necessary.

Section 3. National Cybersecurity Coordination Center. There is hereby created a National Cybersecurity Coordination Center, hereinafter referred to as "NCCC," which shall act as the secretariat of the Committee and shall be composed of officials from the member agencies of the Committee and other agencies the NCCC shall designate. The Committee shall provide for the guidelines for the creation of the NCCC, including the suitable ranks of officials that shall comprise

the NCCC. The NCCC shall constitute within it a National Computer Emergency Response Team (NCERT) with the head of the NCCC as the team leader of the NCERT. The NCERT shall issue guidelines on the handling of government data/information by members of CERTs to be organized within the respective agencies and shall perform oversight and audit functions as to compliance with said guidelines.

Section 4. Creation of the Computer Emergency Response Teams (CERTs). All bureaus, offices, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Government shall organize their respective CERTs, subject to the guidelines to be issued by the CICC. All CERTs in the country shall directly report to the CICC.

Section 5. Transfer of CICC. The CICC, created under the Cybercrime Prevention Act of 2012, attached to the Office of the President, shall be under the administrative and policy supervision of the Committee.

Section 6. Funding. The member agencies are authorized to charge against their current appropriations such amounts as may be necessary for the implementation of this Order. Additional funds and possible funding sources, as may be necessary for the implementation of this Order shall be identified by the Department of Budget and Management. Subsequent funding requirements shall be incorporated in the annual budget proposal of the respective agencies through the General Appropriations Act.

Section 7. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 8. Repeal. All orders, rules, regulations, and issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 9. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 17th day of September, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 189: Creating the National Cybersecurity Inter-Agency Committee*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 190

MODIFYING THE MOST-FAVOURED-NATION (MFN) RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES (TCCP), AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINE TARIFF COMMITMENTS UNDER THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION DECISION ON WAIVER RELATING TO SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR RICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Agriculture (“Agreement”) embodies the multilateral trading rules governing “agriculture;”

WHEREAS, the Philippine government secured “Special Treatment” for rice under Article 4.2 and Section B of Annex 5 of the Agreement which temporarily permitted the country to impose quantitative restrictions in the importation of rice;

WHEREAS, the Special Treatment expired on 30 June 2012 as scheduled in the Rectification and Modification of Schedule LXXV – Republic of the Philippines contained in the WTO documents G/MA/TAR/RS/99/Rev.1 dated 27 September 2006 and WT/Let/562 on 08 February 2007;

WHEREAS, the Special Treatment has been reinstated up to 30 June 2017 by virtue of the WTO Decision on Waiver Relating to Special Treatment for Rice of the Philippines (“Waiver”) contained in WTO document WT/L/42 dated 24 July 2014;

WHEREAS, paragraphs 2-8 of the Waiver also embody the terms and conditions including the concessions in rice contained in its “Annex A” and the other concessions to reduce the Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rates of duty on certain agricultural products;

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the TCCP, as amended, authorizes the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), to modify import duties as required or as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the NEDA Board, during its meeting on 16 February 2015 approved the tariff modification schedule on certain agricultural products.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Rates for Articles in Annexes A and B. From the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, the articles specifically listed in Annexes A and B hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines shall be subject to the MFN rates of import duty indicated in Column 4 of said Annexes.

SECTION 2. Rates for Articles in Annexes A and B upon the Expiration of the Waiver. The concession entered by the Philippine government shall cease to exist upon the expiration of the Waiver. The MFN rates of duty as provided for in Column 5 of Annexes A and B shall then apply.

SECTION 3. Articles represented with X X X. The Nomenclature and the rates of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but represented by the symbol X X X shall remain in force and in effect.

SECTION 4. Repeal. All other Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

References: Annexes “A” and “B”

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 190: Modifying the Most-Favoured-Nation (MFN) rates of duty on certain agricultural products Under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, in order to implement the Philippine tariff commitments under the World Trade Organization decision on waiver relating to special treatment for rice of the Philippines*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 191

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS UNDER
EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 851 (S. 2009) IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE PHILIPPINES’
ASEAN–AUSTRALIA–NEW ZEALAND FREE TRADE AREA (AANZFTA) TARIFF
COMMITMENTS RELATING TO THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION (WTO) DECISION
ON WAIVER RELATING TO SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR RICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Agriculture (“Agreement”) embodies the multilateral trading rules governing “agriculture”;

WHEREAS, the Philippine government secured “Special Treatment” for rice under Article 4.2 and Section B of Annex 5 of the Agreement which temporarily permitted the country to impose quantitative restrictions in the importation of rice;

WHEREAS, the Special Treatment expired on 30 June 2012 as scheduled in the Rectification and Modification of Schedule LXXV – Republic of the Philippines contained in the WTO documents G/MA/TAR/RS/99/Rev.1 dated 27 September 2006 and WT/Let/562 on 08 February 2007;

WHEREAS, the Special Treatment has been reinstated up to 30 June 2017 by virtue of the WTO Decision on Waiver Relating to Special Treatment for Rice of the Philippines (“Waiver”) contained in WTO document WT/L/42 dated 24 July 2014;

WHEREAS, the Philippine government under Executive Order (EO) No. 851 (s. 2009) committed to accelerate the ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA) rates of duty on certain agricultural products as concession for the requested Waiver Relating to Special Treatment for Rice;

WHEREAS, Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended, authorizes the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), to modify import duties (including any necessary change in classification) and other import restrictions, as required or as appropriate to carry out and promote foreign trade with other countries; and

WHEREAS, the NEDA Board, during its meeting on 16 February 2015 approved the tariff reduction schedule on certain agricultural products.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Modification of AANZFTA Rates. The articles specifically listed in Annex A hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the TCCP, as amended, shall be subject to the AANZFTA rates of import duty indicated in Columns 4 and 5 of Annex A.

SECTION 2. Rates for Articles in Annex A are Subject to Rules of Origin. From the date of effectivity of this Executive Order, all articles listed in Annex A which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be imposed the rates of duty therein prescribed, provided that articles in Annex A shall comply with the Rules of Origin as provided for in Chapter 3 of the AANZFTA Agreement.

SECTION 3. Rates for Articles in Annex A upon the Expiration of the Waiver. The concession entered by the Philippine government shall continue to apply upon the expiration of the Waiver.

SECTION 4. Articles represented with X X X. The Nomenclature and the rates of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but represented by the symbol X X X shall remain in force and in effect.

SECTION 5. Right of Recourse. Nothing in this Executive Order shall preclude the Philippines from invoking its right of recourse to all trade remedy measures provided for in its laws, the AANZFTA Trade in Goods Agreement and other relevant international agreements, as an effective device against import surges.

SECTION 6. Repeal. All other Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 5th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Reference: Annex “A”

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 191: Modifying the rates of duty on certain agricultural products under Executive Order No. 851 (s. 2009) in order to implement the Philippines’ ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA) tariff commitments relating to the World Trade Organization (WTO) decision on waiver relating to special treatment for rice of the Philippines*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 192
TRANSFERRING THE REGULATION AND SUPERVISION OVER HEALTH
MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
TO THE INSURANCE COMMISSION, DIRECTING THE IMPLEMENTATION
THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the President, under Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution, has the power and control over executive departments, bureaus and offices, as well as the continuing authority under existing laws to reorganize such executive departments, bureaus, and agencies;

WHEREAS, Section 31, Chapter 10, Title III, Book III of Executive Order (EO) No. 292 (s. 1987), otherwise known as the “Administrative Code of 1987,” grants the President the continuing authority to reorganize the administrative structure of the Office of the President;

WHEREAS, Section 3(8), Chapter 1, Title IX, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 mandates the Department of Health (DOH) to regulate the operations of and issue licenses and permits to hospitals, clinics, dispensaries, and other establishments, which include Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs);

WHEREAS, pursuant to PD No. 612 (s. 1974), as amended, otherwise known as the “Insurance Code of the Philippines,” and Republic Act No. 9829, otherwise known as the “Pre-Need Code of the Philippines,” the Insurance Commission (IC) supervises and regulates the operations of insurance companies, insurance and reinsurance brokers and intermediaries, mutual benefit associations, trusts for charitable uses, and pre-need companies;

WHEREAS, insurance companies, pre-need companies, and HMOs function under a common concept of receiving compensation, either through premiums or contributions, and in turn, promise certain contractual benefits in the future; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to streamline and consolidate functions related to the regulation of HMOs to eliminate redundancy, simplify the organizational structure of the executive department, improve accessibility and accountability, provide efficient use of specialized expertise, realize savings in administrative costs, and promote effective sharing of best practices.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct:

Section 1. Transfer of the Regulation and Supervision over HMOs. Jurisdiction over HMOs shall be transferred from the DOH to the IC in order to regulate and supervise the establishment, operations and financial activities of HMOs.

Section 2. Definition of HMO. In accordance with DOH Administrative Order No. 34 (s. 1994), an HMO refers to a juridical entity legally organized to provide or arrange for the provision of pre-agreed or designated health care services to its enrolled members for a fixed pre-paid fee for a specified period of time.

Section 3. Organizational Structure and Personnel Augmentation. The IC, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management, is hereby authorized to streamline and augment its human resource component to enable it to effectively and efficiently perform its functions and exercise its powers under this Order.

Section 4. Authority of the IC over HMOs. The IC shall have the authority to exercise the following functions over HMOs:

- a. Issue rules and guidelines, with respect to the establishment of HMO minimum capitalization, net worth, reserve funds and security deposit requirements, as well as the criteria for qualification and disqualification of directors, officers and marketing personnel, and the procedure for the submission of reportorial and/or examination requirements, registration of contracts and plans, adjudication of claims, and other relevant matters, as necessary;
- b. Approve, amend, renew, decline, suspend, or revoke any license, registration, or certificate of authority issued in favor of HMOs;
- c. Fix, assess, collect, and utilize fees and/or charges as it may find reasonable in the exercise of regulatory powers;
- d. Regulate, supervise, and monitor the operations and management of HMOs to ensure compliance with this Order, existing laws, rules, and regulations, and such other directives and circulars issued by the Insurance Commissioner;
- e. Issue orders to prevent fraud and injury to the HMO plan holders and industry stakeholders;
- f. Order the examination of documents, papers, files, tax returns, books of accounts and other records, in whatever form, of any entity, person, or any HMO under investigation, including persons, entities and/or corporations with related interests;
- g. Pursuant to existing laws, rules, and regulations, impose sanctions, and/or appropriate penalties;
- h. Enlist the aid and support of and/or deputize any and all law enforcement agencies of the government in the implementation of its powers and in the exercise of its functions under this Order;
- i. Issue appropriate directives, such as but not limited to the appointment of conservators, receivers or liquidators, to HMOs which fail to comply with this Order, related laws, rules, regulations, orders, and circulars issued pursuant thereto;
- j. Prepare, approve or amend, rules, regulations, orders, and circulars, and issue opinions, provide guidance on and supervise compliance with such rules, regulations, orders, and circulars;
- k. Formulate policies and recommendations on issues concerning the health maintenance industry, including proposed legislations; and
- l. Exercise such other powers as may be provided by law as well as those which may be implied from, or which are necessary or incidental to carry out the express powers granted the IC to achieve the objectives and purposes of this Order.

Section 5. License to Operate. All HMOs, whether investor-based, community-based or cooperative, are hereby required to comply with the regulatory requirements of procuring a License to Operate from the IC. The IC shall honor previously issued "Clearance to Operate" by the DOH,

subject to modifications, revisions, adjustments, and changes as may be provided in the implementing rules and regulations.

Section 6. Funding. Funds needed to carry out the provisions of this Order shall be taken from the current appropriations of the IC. Subsequent funding requirements to implement this Order shall be incorporated in the annual budget proposal of the IC.

Section 7. Efficient Transition. To the extent necessary to fully implement the intent of this Order, the DOH and the IC may enter into inter-agency agreements, to ensure the full and appropriate transfer of all functions related to HMOs including, but not limited to, temporary detail of DOH personnel concerned to the IC.

Section 8. Transitory Matters. All books, contracts, correspondences, documents, papers, records, other associated items, and pending business in any way pertaining to the powers, duties, rights, and responsibilities related to the functions of the DOH over HMOs shall be turned over, transferred, and delivered to the IC for continuation, modification, or termination; Provided, however, that the delivery of such information shall not violate any applicable confidentiality constraints.

The IC shall constitute a special team to handle all matters related to HMOs and shall secure and transfer all the HMO-related files and records of the DOH to the IC within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Order. Personnel under the DOH affected by this Order shall continue their service with the DOH. They may, however, be detailed to the IC for efficient transition and effective discharge of the functions provided under this Order.

Section 9. Creation of Oversight Committee. To ensure the effective transfer of the jurisdiction and regulation over HMOs to the IC, an Oversight Committee composed of the Secretary of Finance, as Chairman, with the Secretary of Health and the Insurance Commissioner, as members, is hereby constituted. The Oversight Committee shall exist until 30 June 2016.

Section 10. Role of the DOH. All issues relating to medical matters including, but not limited to, practice of the medical profession, medical procedures and standards, and health programs, policies, services, and facilities, shall be referred to the DOH.

Section 11. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The IC shall formulate, adopt and implement such rules, regulations, and other issuances as may be necessary in the effective implementation of the provisions of this Order.

Section 12. Repeal. All orders, issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 13. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 14. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of General Circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 12th day of November, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2015). *Executive Order No. 192: Transferring the regulation and supervision over health maintenance organizations from the Department of Health to the Insurance Commission, directing the implementation thereof and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 193
EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF THE NATIONAL GREENING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article II of the Constitution provides that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 26 (s. 2011) or the “National Greening Program” was implemented as a government priority program to reduce poverty, promote food security, environmental stability and biodiversity conservation, and enhance climate change mitigation and adaptation;

WHEREAS, in its Global Forest Resources Assessment for CY 2015, the Food and Agriculture Organization ranked the Philippines as 5th worldwide in the greatest forest area gain from 2010 to 2015;

WHEREAS, with the threat of climate change, forests and forestry remain as the carbon sink that could sustain the industrial development and economic growth of the country;

WHEREAS, there is still an estimated 7.1 million hectares of unproductive, denuded and degraded forestlands which contribute to environment-related risks such as soil erosion, landslides, and flooding;

WHEREAS, in order to accelerate the rehabilitation and reforestation of these unproductive, denuded and degraded areas, the Government shall involve the participation and investment of the private sector with a view towards enabling private companies to achieve carbon neutrality; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the updated Master Plan for Forestry Development (2016 - 2028), there is a need to harmonize all forest development activities that will encourage and enhance development of forest plantations including forest parks, with greater participation from the private sector, local government units and organized upland communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Expanded National Greening Program. The coverage of the National Greening Program is hereby expanded to cover all the remaining unproductive, denuded and degraded forestlands and its period of implementation is likewise extended from 2016 to 2028.

All sectors, particularly the private sector, are encouraged to actively participate in the Expanded National Greening Program.

SECTION 2. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is hereby directed to issue the appropriate rules and regulations within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Order.

SECTION 3. Funding. The funding necessary for the implementation of this Order shall be charged against the current appropriation of the DENR. Subsequent funding requirements shall be incorporated in the annual budget proposal of the DENR through the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Repeal. All orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 12th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 194
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE ROXAS PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, PPA is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Roxas for the planning, development, financing and operation of said Port, with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Roxas. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Roxas situated in Barangay IV, Municipality of Roxas, Province of Palawan, is hereby delineated and established particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, located at the midpoint of the existing gate, thence:

DUE WEST	219.00 m.	to point 2;
DUE SOUTH	355.00 m.	to point 3;
DUE WEST	1,000.00 m.	to point 4;
DUE SOUTH	3,000.00 m.	to point 5;
DUE EAST	2,438.00 m.	to point 6;
DUE NORTH	3,000.00 m.	to point 7;
DUE WEST	1,000.00 m.	to point 8;
DUE NORTH	352.50 m.	to point 9;
DUE WEST	215.40 m.	to point 10;
DUE NORTH	2.50 m.	to point 11;
DUE WEST	3.60 m.	to point of beginning;

Comprising a total area of **SEVEN MILLION FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY EIGHT THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY ONE (7,468,951.00) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Roxas Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2016). *Executive Order No. 194: Declaring and delineating the Roxas Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 195
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE LIMINANGCONG PORT ZONE AND
PLACING IT UNDER THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE
PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, PPA is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Liminangcong for the planning, development, financing and operation of said Port, with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Liminangcong. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Liminangcong situated in Barangay Liminangcong, Municipality of Taytay, Province of Palawan, is hereby delineated and established particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, thence:

N.	40	deg.	55'	52"	E.	10.50 m.	to point 2;
N.	48	deg.	18'	36"	W.	16.81 m.	to point 3;
N.	01	deg.	26'	46"	E.	5.39 m.	to point 4;
N.	42	deg.	06'	50"	E.	15.63 m.	to point 5;
N.	48	deg.	18'	18"	W.	28.90 m.	to point 6;
N.	41	deg.	41'	42"	E.	109.00 m.	to point 7;
N.	48	deg.	18'	32"	W.	58.58 m.	to point 8;
N.	20	deg.	56'	60"	E.	849.34 m.	to point 9;
N.	78	deg.	59'	24"	W.	525.00 m.	to point 10;
S.	11	deg.	07'	12"	W.	632.00 m.	to point 11;
S.	56	deg.	30'	00"	W.	587.00 m.	to point 12;
S.	33	deg.	29'	24"	E.	250.00 m.	to point 13;
N.	56	deg.	30'	36"	E.	378.00 m.	to point 14;
S.	48	deg.	18'	36"	E.	278.00 m.	to point 15;
N.	41	deg.	41'	24"	E.	104.50 m.	to point 16;
S.	48	deg.	18'	32"	E.	42.13 m.	to point 17;
N.	41	deg.	41'	28"	E.	40.00 m.	to point 18;
S.	48	deg.	18'	47"	E.	30.20 m.	to point of beginning;

Comprising a total area of **FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX AND THREE HUNDREDTHS (569,776.03) SQUARE METERS**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Liminangcong Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: **Malacañang Records Office**

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2016). *Executive Order No. 195: Declaring and delineating the Liminangcong Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 196
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE NARRA PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, PPA is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Narra for the planning, development, financing and operation of said Port, with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Narra. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Narra situated in Barangay Panacan, Municipality of Narra, Province of Palawan, is hereby delineated and established particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 79 deg. 45' 54" W., 647.202 m. from BLLM No. 1, PLS-80, PLS-23, Panacan, Narra, Palawan, thence:

N.	81	deg.	45'	56"	E.	524.291 m.	to point 2;
N.	87	deg.	02'	34"	E.	45.771 m.	to point 3;
S.	87	deg.	49'	03"	E.	30.700 m.	to point 4;
N.	85	deg.	48'	20"	E.	730.695 m.	to point 5;
N.	81	deg.	31'	58"	E.	8.573 m.	to point 6;
N.	65	deg.	35'	13"	E.	95.821 m.	to point 7;
S.	06	deg.	42'	31"	E.	2,018.112 m.	to point 8;
S.	83	deg.	42'	46"	W.	1,631.472 m.	to point 9;
N.	00	deg.	57'	49"	W.	2,012.649 m.	to point of beginning;

Comprising a total area of **THREE MILLION SEVENTY ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE SQUARE METERS AND NINE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY TWO SQUARE DECIMETER (3,071,171.9872)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Narra Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of January, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2016). *Executive Order No. 196: Declaring and delineating the Narra Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 197

**DESIGNATING THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS
AS THE AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SECURITY OF SEA TRANSPORT AND
MARITIME INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE COUNTRY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the Philippines is a Contracting Party to the 1974 International Convention on the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), as amended, including Chapter XI-2 thereof, on Special Measures to Enhance Maritime Security, that adopts the International Ship and Port Facility Security (ISPS) Code, which is an international framework through which governments, shipping companies, and port authorities can cooperate to detect and deter acts that threaten security of the maritime transportation system;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order (EO) No. 292 (s. 1987) or the “Administrative Code of 1987,” the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) shall be the primary policy, planning, programming, coordinating, implementing, regulating, and administrative entity of the Executive Branch in the promotion, development, and regulation of dependable and coordinated networks of transportation and communication system, as well as in the fast, efficient, and reliable postal, transportation, and communication services;

WHEREAS, pursuant to EO No. 125 (s. 1987), the Secretary of Transportation and Communications (SOTC) shall have the authority and responsibility for the discharge of the powers and functions of the DOTC;

WHEREAS, under Section 17, Article VII of the 1987 Constitution, the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus, and offices and ensure that the laws be faithfully executed;

WHEREAS, under Section 1, Chapter 1, Title 1, Book II of EO No. 292 (s. 1987), the President shall have control of all executive departments, bureaus, and offices;

WHEREAS, under Section 89 of Republic Act No. 10717 or the “General Appropriations Act of 2016,” the President is authorized to create new offices and modify the existing organizational structure of the agencies in the Executive Branch, as well as create new positions or modify existing ones whenever public interest so requires; and

WHEREAS, the power of the President to reorganize the offices and agencies in the Executive Department is implied from his constitutionally granted power of control, recognized by the legislature, and upheld by the courts.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Authority responsible for the security of sea transport and maritime infrastructure. – The SOTC, as the authority responsible for the security of sea transport and maritime infrastructure in the country, shall ensure the accomplishment of the duties and responsibilities of the Contracting Government under the ISPS Code.

SECTION 2. Delineation of functions. – Relative to the implementation of the ISPS Code, the SOTC shall ensure the performance by agencies of the following functions, subject to their respective legal mandates:

- a. Philippine Coast Guard (PCG). The PCG, as part of its port state control functions, shall perform control and compliance measures prescribed under the ISPS Code relative to the security of ships in or intending to call at any port of the Philippines;
- b. Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) and other port authorities. The PPA and other port authorities shall perform the security duties of the Philippine Government under the ISPS Code with respect to port facilities, and in coordination with the Bureau of Customs (BoC), perform the necessary security measures relating to cargo handling in order to prevent tampering and prevent cargo not intended for carriage from being accepted and stored on board ships and within port facilities;
- c. Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA). The MARINA shall enforce the ISPS Code provisions relative to the security of Philippine flagged or registered ships; and
- d. Office for Transportation Security (OTS). The OTS shall:
 - i. Implement and maintain the National Security Program for Sea Transport and Maritime Infrastructure (NSPSTMI);
 - ii. Subject to existing laws and to the approval of the SOTC, prescribe security standards for the security of sea transport and maritime infrastructure;
 - iii. Examine and audit the performance of port security personnel, equipment and facilities, and thereafter, establish, on a continuing basis, performance standards for such personnel, equipment and facilities, including the training of said personnel, in accordance with the approved port facility security assessments and plans;
 - iv. Monitor compliance of the PPA, other port authorities, PCG, MARINA, and other relevant government agencies, and recognized security organizations with the standards prescribed in the ISPS Code; and
 - v. Submit regular reports to the SOTC and recommend measures for improvement, as may be necessary.

SECTION 3. Imposition of Sanctions. – Consistent with their respective legal mandates, the PCG, MARINA, PPA, other port authorities, and all other agencies concerned with maritime security, enforcement, and police authority, shall impose appropriate sanctions for violations of prescribed security standards and the ISPS Code, as may be recommended by the OTS. The SOTC shall prescribe the guidelines for the imposition of such sanctions in accordance with applicable laws and international agreements.

SECTION 4. Inter-Agency Coordination. – All agencies of Government, including the BoC, Bureau of Immigration, and the National Coast Watch Center, are hereby directed to assist and coordinate with the SOTC for the successful performance of functions under this EO.

The SOTC shall provide the appropriate structure for coordination that harmonizes the roles and responsibilities of the OTS, PPA, other port authorities, PCG, MARINA, Philippine National Police, and other security-related agencies and organizations in the implementation of this EO.

SECTION 5. National Security Program for Sea Transport and Maritime Infrastructure. – The existing NSPSTMI shall be updated in accordance with the provisions of this EO. The updated NSPSTMI shall be submitted for the approval of the SOTC within a period of sixty (60) days after

the effectivity of this EO. All concerned government bureaus, agencies, and instrumentalities, including government-owned or -controlled corporations, shall submit monthly reports to the SOTC of their compliance thereto.

SECTION 6. Appropriations and Source of Funding. – The necessary funding to be authorized in the General Appropriations Act for this purpose shall be directly released to the concerned implementing agencies, subject to budgeting, accounting and auditing rules, regulations and procedures.

SECTION 7. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The SOTC shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of this Executive Order, within thirty (30) days from its effectivity.

SECTION 8. Separability. – If any provision of this EO is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions unaffected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 9. Repeal. – All other orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this EO are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 10. Effectivity. – This Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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Office of the President of the Philippines. (2016). *Executive Order No. 197: Designating the Secretary of Transportation and Communications as the authority responsible for the Security of Sea Transport and Maritime Infrastructure in the country, and for other purposes*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 198
APPROVING THE MERGER OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES
AND THE LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, Section 17 of Article VII of the 1987 Constitution provides that the President shall have control of all the executive departments, bureaus, and offices, and that he shall ensure that the laws be faithfully executed;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act (RA) No. 10149, otherwise known as the “*GOCC Governance Act of 2011*,” provides that the State recognizes the potential of Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations (GOCCs) as significant tools for economic development, and that it is the policy of the State to actively exercise its ownership rights in GOCCs to promote growth by ensuring that their operations are consistent with national development policies and programs, and that said operations are rationalized and monitored centrally in order that government assets and resources are used efficiently;

WHEREAS, Section 5(a) of the GOCC Governance Act of 2011 empowers the Governance Commission for GOCCs (GCG) to ascertain whether GOCCs should be merged, and upon such determination that it is to the best interest of the State that such GOCCs should be merged, it shall implement the same, unless otherwise directed by the President;

WHEREAS, the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP), created as the Rehabilitation Finance Corporation pursuant to RA 85 as amended by Executive Order No. 81 (s. 1986) and RA 8523, has the primary purpose of providing banking services for the medium- and long-term needs of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in the agricultural and industrial sector, particularly those operating in the countryside;

WHEREAS, the Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP), created pursuant to RA 3844 as amended by RA 7907, has the primary purpose of financing the acquisition and distribution of agricultural estates for division and resale to small landholders as well as the purchase of landholdings by agricultural lessees, and is designated by RA 6657 as the financial intermediary for the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP);

WHEREAS, the GCG has determined that it is in the best interest of the State to merge DBP and LBP, with the latter as the surviving entity, based on the following:

- a) The functions of DBP and LBP duplicate and/or unnecessarily overlap with one another;
- b) The merger of DBP and LBP will further enhance the financing of priority projects and sectors such as infrastructure, public services, agriculture/agrarian reform and SMEs;
- c) The merger of DBP and LBP will provide better access and extend quality financial services and products to more unbanked and underserved areas; and
- d) The merger of DBP and LBP will build a stronger and more competitive universal development bank able to fulfill its mandate of providing banking services to propel countryside development and to contribute to sustainable and inclusive growth.

WHEREAS, the Boards of Directors of DBP and LBP have respectively adopted Resolutions on 25 March 2015 and 23 March 2015, agreeing to the merger of the two (2) banks;

WHEREAS, Section 81 of RA 3844, as amended by Section 4 of RA 7907, provides that the LBP Board, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Finance (DOF) and with the approval of the President, may increase the capitalization of LBP up to such amount as may be necessary to attain the objectives of RA 3844; and

WHEREAS, the DOF Secretary has endorsed and recommended the approval of the request of LBP to increase its authorized capital stock from ₱25 Billion to ₱200 Billion in preparation for its proposed merger with DBP.

NOW, THEREFORE I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy. There is a need to rationalize the operation of government agencies and government financial institutions (GFIs) to strengthen their financial capabilities, to improve the delivery of services, to achieve economic efficiency and to support the development thrust of the government. Towards this end, the State shall therefore:

- a) Recognize the importance of strengthening GFIs in preparation for regional economic integration;
- b) Encourage sustainable growth and development in capital and credit facilities of GFIs for the benefit and protection of the public;
- c) Ensure that the social mandate of providing assistance to priority sectors, including farmers and fisherfolk, agrarian reform beneficiaries and SMEs, is continuously fulfilled, and that investments are amply protected.

SECTION 2. Operational Merger of the Development Bank of the Philippines and the Land Bank of the Philippines. The operational merger of DBP and LBP, through the transfer of assets and liabilities of DBP to LBP as the surviving entity, is hereby approved, subject to the written consent of the Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation and approval of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP). All reference to the terms “merger” or “merged banks,” as used in this Order, shall be understood as referring to the above-stated operational merger.

SECTION 3. Increase in the Authorized Capital Stock of LBP. As recommended by the DOF, the increase in the authorized capital stock of LBP to Two Hundred Billion (₱200,000,000,000.00), divided into 2 billion common shares with par value of ₱100.00 per share, is hereby approved.

To allow LBP to continue supporting the government’s sustainable and inclusive growth agenda, the DOF and the Department of Budget and Management are hereby directed to provide a capital infusion to LBP of at least Thirty Billion Pesos (₱30,000,000,000.00), to be sourced from existing funds if allowed by law, or to be included in the General Appropriations Act for the succeeding years.

SECTION 4. Implementation of the Merger by Concerned Government Offices/Agencies. The GCG shall implement the merger, and in consultation with DBP and LBP, shall also determine and implement the extent and modes by which the assets and liabilities will be transferred.

All other government offices and agencies are hereby directed to promptly take such actions as may be necessary to fully implement the provisions of this Executive Order within one (1) year from its effectivity.

SECTION 5. Reorganization of the Merged Banks. The GCG shall undertake, approve and implement a reorganization plan and implement a compensation and position classification system for

the merged banks, subject to the principles and standards of the GOCC Governance Act of 2011, and under the condition that all employees of the constituent banks who will be retained under the said reorganization plan, shall not suffer any break in service or tenure, or any diminution of salaries and lawful benefits.

In addition to the separation or retirement benefits allowed under applicable laws, all personnel of the constituent banks separated from service by reason of the reorganization, shall be entitled to a Merger Incentive Pay (MIP) under the following rates:

Years of Government Service	MIP Computation
First 20 years of service	1.00 x Basic Monthly Pay (BMP) x No. of Years
21 to 30 years	1.25 x BMP x No. of Years
31 years and above	1.50 x BMP x No. of Years

SECTION 6. Repeal. All executive orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby revoked, amended, or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. Separability. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 4th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

(Sgd.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III

By the President:

(Sgd.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 199
MISSING ISSUANCE

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 200
DECLARING AND DELINEATING THE ORMOC PORT ZONE AND PLACING IT UNDER
THE ADMINISTRATIVE JURISDICTION OF THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA)

WHEREAS, PPA is mandated to establish, develop, regulate, manage and operate a rationalized national port system in support of trade and national development;

WHEREAS, the delineation and declaration of port zones under PPA aims to redirect and reorganize port administration for the full development of port districts; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to define the Port Zone of Ormoc for the planning, development, financing and operation of said Port, with the objective of promoting development through the dispersal of industries and commercial activities throughout the different regions.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Port of Ormoc. The territorial jurisdiction of the Port of Ormoc situated in Ormoc City, Province of Leyte, is hereby delineated and established particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point marked 1 on the plan, being S. 40 deg. 48' W., 265.27 m. from BLLM No. 1, Cadastre 256, Ormoc City, thence:

S.	21	deg.	28'	W.	384.32 m.	to point 2;
S.	21	deg.	28'	W.	779.29 m.	to point 3;
N.	68	deg.	32'	W.	327.05 m.	to point 4;
N.	21	deg.	28'	E.	1,029.74 m.	to point 5;
S.	75	deg.	14'	E.	124.85 m.	to point 6;
S.	74	deg.	47'	E.	52.44 m.	to point 7;
S.	73	deg.	49'	E.	50.41 m.	to point 8;
N.	20	deg.	60'	E.	83.42 m.	to point 9;
N.	19	deg.	17'	E.	18.54 m.	to point 10;
S.	72	deg.	53'	E.	11.38 m.	to point 11;
S.	72	deg.	53'	E.	14.94 m.	to point 12;
N.	12	deg.	60'	E.	3.66 m.	to point 13;
S.	72	deg.	35'	E.	62.99 m.	to point 14;
S.	27	deg.	51'	W.	3.03 m.	to point 15;
S.	68	deg.	20	E.	13.93 m.	to point of beginning;

Comprising a total area of **THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THREE THOUSAND NINETY TWO SQUARE METERS (353,092.00)**, more or less.

SECTION 2. PPA Jurisdiction. The Ormoc Port Zone, as delineated, is hereby placed under the administrative jurisdiction of the PPA, which shall, consistent with the regional industrial plans of the government, implement a program for the proper zoning, planning, development and utilization of the port.

SECTION 3. Repeal. All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

(Sgd.) **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**

Executive Secretary

Source: Malacañang Records Office

Office of the President of the Philippines. (2016). *Executive Order No. 200: Declaring and delineating the Ormoc Port Zone and placing it under the Administrative Jurisdiction of the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA)*. Manila: Malacañang Records Office.



President Benigno S. Aquino III delivers his speech during the inauguration of the Basilan Circumferential Road in Barangay Tumahubong, Sumisip, Basilan on March 21, 2016. Also in photo are DSWD Secretary Dinky Soliman, Sumisip, Basilan Mayor Gulam Salliman-Hataman, ARMM Regional Governor Mujiv Hataman, and Public Works Secretary Rogelio Singson.

